

# R97092

## Gas Industry Standards Board

### Request for Initiation of a GISB Standard for Electronic Business Transactions

or

### Enhancement of an Existing GISB Standard for Electronic Business Transactions

Date of Request: May 30, 1997

#### 1. Submitting Entity & Address:

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#### 3. Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

Transco proposes that the data element Accounting Period be added to the data dictionary for the Measurement Information dataset (Standard 2.4.5) with usage code Mandatory (M). This data element is currently sent by Transco to identify the month and year in which the quantities were recorded in Transco's computer system. Our ability to use this data element in EDI exchanges is necessary to maintain our current level of service.

This data element is already a Mandatory data element in GISB's Allocation Statement (Standard 2.4.3) and Imbalance Statement (Standard 2.4.4), and it should be a Mandatory data element on the Measurement Information (Standard 2.4.5) statement as well.

#### 4. Use of Proposed Standard or Enhancement (include how the standard will be used, documentation on the description of the proposed standard, any existing documentation of the proposed standard, and required communication protocols):

The sender of the Measurement Information (Standard 2.4.4) statement should use the Accounting Period field to identify the month and year in which the quantities on the statement are recorded in the sender's computer system. This information is routinely exchanged as a part of the

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measurement data communicated in proprietary formats.

#### **5. Description of Tangible or Intangible Benefits to the Use of the Proposed Standard or Enhancement:**

When this proposed modification is incorporated into the Standard, Transco and other pipelines who use similar accounting practices will be able to identify the recording date associated with the gas quantities presented on the Measurement Information statement in conformance with current business practices.

#### **6. Estimate of Incremental Specific Costs to Implement Proposed Standard or Enhancement:**

None.

#### **7. Description of Any Specific Legal or Other Considerations:**

None.

#### **8. If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement Is Not Tested Yet, List trading Partners Willing to Test Standards or Enhancement (Corporations and contacts):**

Unknown

#### **9. If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement Is In Use, Who are the Trading Partners:**

Unknown.

#### **10. Attachments (such as: further detailed proposals, transaction data descriptions, information flows, implementation guides, business process descriptions, examples of ASC ANSI X12 mapped transactions:**

None.