

# R98017

## 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

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Request Number:

1. Submitting Entity and Address:

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3. Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement

In the Capacity Release Award Notice, add the text "If the Release Term Start Time is not sent, the time defaults to the beginning of the gas day." to the Release Term Start Time. Also, add the text "If the Release Term End Time is not sent, the time defaults to the end of the gas day." to the Release Term End Time. These two changes would be applied to the data dictionary. Change the DTM segment to allow the use of the "RD8" qualifier.

4. Use of Proposed Standard or Enhancement

This enhancement will make the use of the start time and ending time consistent with the other standards. The Award Notice is the only data set that requires the times without the option of a default.

5. Description of any Tangible or Intangible Benefits to the Use of Proposed Standard or Enhancement

The Award Notice may be implemented in a manner similar to all of the other data sets with regard to the time.

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

None