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**TO:** All Interested Parties

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**RE: WGQ Business Practices Subcommittee**

The Wholesale Gas Quadrant (WGQ) Business Practices Subcommittee (BPS) held four meetings from March to May 2025, to consider four requests, related to nomination and scheduling processes, data transparency, and system timelines.

The subcommittee discussed Standards Request R24006, proposing the addition of two new data elements, off-system upstream and downstream contract indicators, to the nomination and scheduled quantity datasets. While some participants noted the potential future utility of the data elements, the subcommittee determined, at present, there was insufficient consensus to proceed with standards modifications. After multiple meetings and extensive discussion, the subcommittee voted out a no action recommendation on this request. The formal comment period began on May 7, 2025 and concluded on June 6, 2025. As of date, no comments have been received.

The WGQ BPS also considered Standards Request R25002, proposing to make mandatory additional data in the bids, offers, and awards datasets, including shipper contact information and the replacement shipper contract number. Following review and discussion, the subcommittee approved instructions directing the WGQ Information Requirements and Technical (IR/Tech) Subcommittees to support the technical development of these changes. The approved instruction reflect discussion regarding flexibility in disclosure options and aim to ensure alignment between business practices and technical implementation.

Standards Request R25003, addressed by the WGQ BPS, proposed updates to existing nomination and confirmation timelines to support more efficient processing and communication across parties. The proposed revisions included new standards and the retirement of two existing standards. The subcommittee approved the proposed changes to undergo technical review through the WGQ IR/Tech Subcommittees, with full staffing, and subsequent public comment period. Discussions focused on promoting timely communication and discouraging delayed or grouped transactions, while recognizing the need for clear and consistent guidance.

Lastly, the subcommittee considered Standards Request R25001, proposing to include additional volume data in the scheduled quantity datasets. After further evaluation, the submitter opted to withdraw the request, concluding that the issue could be addressed outside of the standards development process.

The WGQ BPS will continue to monitor developments and support further review through its technical subcommittees, as appropriate, in preparation for Executive Committee consideration.