RECOMMENDATION TO GISB EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Requester: Columbia Gas Transmission Corp. **Request No.: R97057**

1. Recommended Action:

___Accept as requested
_X_Accept as modified below
___Decline

Effect of EC Vote to Accept Recommended Action:

_X_Change to Existing Practice
___Status Quo

2. TYPE OF MAINTENANCE

Per Request:	**Per Recommendation:**
___Initiation	___Initiation
_X_Modification	_X_Modification
___Interpretation	___Interpretation
___Withdrawal	___Withdrawal
___Principle (x.1.z)	___Principle (x.1.z)
___Definition (x.2.z)	___Definition (x.2.z)
___Business Practice Standard (x.3.z)	___Business Practice Standard (x.3.z)
___Document (x.4.z)	___Document (x.4.z)
_X_Data Element (x.4.z)	___Data Element (x.4.z)
_X_Code Value (x.4.z)	_X_Code Value (x.4.z)
_X_X12 Implementation Guide	_X_X12 Implementation Guide
___Business Process Documentation	___Business Process Documentation

3. RECOMMENDATION

CODE VALUES LOG (for addition, modification or deletion of code values)

Document Name and No.: Confirmation Response 1.4.4

Business Name	**Usage**	**Code Value**	**Code Value Description**	**Code Value Definition**
Reduction Reason	SO	*001*	*Invalid Beginning/Ending Date/Time*	N/A
		002	*Invalid Location*	N/A
		003	*Invalid Contractual Flow Indicator*	N/A
		900	*Downstream Contract Identifier Not Processed*	N/A
		901	*Upstream Contract Identifier Not Processed*	N/A
		902	*Confirmation Service Contract Not Processed*	N/A
		004	*Invalid Service Requester*	N/A
		005	*Invalid Upstream Identifier Code*	N/A
		006	*Invalid Downstream Identifier Code*	N/A
		007	*Invalid Upstream Contract Identifier*	N/A
		008	*Invalid Downstream Contract Identifier*	N/A

		009	*Invalid Service Requester Contract*	N/A
		010	*Invalid Confirmation Service Identifier Code*	N/A
		011	*Invalid Associated Contract*	N/A

TECHNICAL CHANGE LOG (all instructions to accomplish the recommendation)

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G855RRFC - Confirmation Response
X12 Mapping
"Reduction Reason Codes (Detail/Sub-detail)" table - add code values "001", "002", "003", "900", "901", "902", "004", "005", "006", "007", "008", "009", "010", "011" to data element Reduction Reason. See Code Values Log.

4. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

a. Description of Request:

Add a data element, Validation code, to the Confirmation Response. It will also be necessary to develop a list of Validation Codes.

b. Description of Recommendation:

Business Practices Subcommittee
Accept the addition of codes for the reduction reason code, and add Reduction Reason Code to the Request to Confirm and Confirmation Response transactions:

Date range in the past
Invalid location
invalid contractual flow indicator (note: use of 'x' when it should be 'r' or 'd')
wrong contractual flow indicator (note: use of "r" or "d" when it should be 'd" or "r" , respectively)
business conditional field not processed
no match on service requester
no match on up/down party
no match on up/downstream contract identifier
no match on service requester contract

The request and Business Practices Subcommittee direction stated in the action section of R97057 of these minutes should be referred to Information Requirements Subcommittee for the necessary changes and from there on to the Executive Committee for as soon as reasonably possible.

Sense of the Room: June 26, 1997 12 In Favor 0 Opposed
Segment Check (if applicable):

In Favor:	1 End-Users	1 LDCs	6 Pipelines	1 Producers	3 Services
Opposed:	End-Users	LDCs	Pipelines	Producers	Services

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Information Requirements Subcommittee
Add the reduction reason codes enumerated by BPS, as revised by IR for consistency with other code values, to the Confirmation Response. These code values would be as follows:

Invalid Beginning/Ending Date/Time
Invalid Location
Invalid Contractual Flow Indicator
Downstream Contract Identifier Not Processed
Upstream Contract Identifier Not Processed
Confirmation Service Contract Not Processed
Invalid Service Requester
Invalid Upstream Identifier Code
Invalid Downstream Identifier Code
Invalid Upstream Contract Identifier
Invalid Downstream Contract Identifier
Invalid Service Requester Contract

The following codes were added by IR for completeness and conistency
Invalid Confirmation Service Identifier Code
Invalid Associated Contract

Sense of the Room: July 15, 1997 11 In Favor 1 Opposed
Segment Check (if applicable):

In Favor:	___End-Users	___LDCs	___Pipelines	___Producers	___Services
Opposed:	___End-Users	___LDCs	___Pipelines	___Producers	___Services

Technical Subcommittee
Sense of the Room: July 23, 1997 9 In Favor 0 Opposed
Segment Check (if applicable):

In Favor:	___End-Users	___LDCs	___Pipelines	___Producers	___Services
Opposed:	___End-Users	___LDCs	___Pipelines	___Producers	___Services

c. Business Purpose:
To validate the Request for Confirmation. It is possible for the Request for Confirmation to have invalid data. Currently, one cannot validate the incoming data because there are no validation codes. The Validation Codes (both errors and warnings) would be used to indicate that the Request for Confirmation contained errors and/or warnings. It is more correct to return a Validation Code for data errors than to return a Reduction Reason

d. Commentary/Rationale of Subcommittee(s)/Task Force(s):
IR: Discussion as to BPS recommendation including adding Reduction Reason and associated codes to the *Request for Confirmation*. Those on the BPS call present at the IR meeting believed this to be incorrect. IR resolved to implement as described herein and clarify remaining issues with BPS.