

RECOMMENDATION TO GISB EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Requester: Colorado Interstate Gas

Request No.: R98061

1. Recommended Action:

- Accept as requested
- Accept as modified below
- Decline

Effect of EC Vote to Accept Recommended Action:

- Change to Existing Practice
- Status Quo

2. TYPE OF MAINTENANCE

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- Modification
- Interpretation
- Withdrawal

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3. RECOMMENDATION

SUMMARY:

* No change required—this request was declined by the BPS.

4. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

a. Description of Request:

New standard data sets are requested under the GISB Nomination Related Standards (1.4.X) to allow No-Notice Transportation (NNT) shippers to request authorization for overrun deliveries under their NNT contracts. CIG also requests that a determination be made by the EII Task Force of the applicability of such functionality on CIG's Customer Activities Web Page.

b. Description of Recommendation:

**Executive Committee Meeting, August 24, 2000
Recommendation Summary:**

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Decline the request to accommodate a mutually agreeable nominations related business practice to allow No Notice Transportation (NNT) shippers to request authorization for overrun deliveries under their NNT contracts by the addition of new data elements:

- contract number
- overrun quantity requested
- date range for the overrun quantity requested

or through the addition of new nominations related data sets and to accommodate the respective response documents.

Discussion: Mr. Novak noted that his comments are similar to the ones made in the above recommendation to decline. This is very usable – with EDI gaining more acceptance for LDC firm shippers. They would rather have no notice service available via EDI and implemented prior to the winter season 2002, when EDI should be widely accepted. Mr. Griffith noted that this was infrequently used, but Ms. Chezar noted that in several filings pipelines are beginning to use this as a request for pre-authorization for overrun. Mr. Novak added that he would support the development of standards or principles along the lines of the request with a modification for where nominations are required.

Motion: Mr. Griffith made the motion, seconded by Ms. Van Pelt to accept the recommendation to decline.

Vote: Procedural vote failed with 11 in favor and 13 opposed.

Motion: Mr. Novak made the motion, seconded by Ms. Phillips, that BPS reconsiders this request as a principle.

Discussion: Ms. Davis noted that the process of overturning subcommittee efforts is inefficient, and if members have concerns, they should participate in the meetings. She added that many of these meetings were held over the phone. Mr. Novak noted that he would withdraw the motion and resubmit as a request.

Motion: After further discussion, Ms. Phillips made the amended motion, seconded by Mr. Novak, to instruct BPS to accommodate the practice of communicating requests for authorized overrun for no notice service, to be addressed in the normal course of business.

Discussion: Mr. Novak described that this request would lead to fewer billing disputes, particularly where there are no flow controls. After additional conversation, it was noted that this would be best handled through withdrawal of the motion and submittal of a new request.

Motion: The motion was made by Mr. Scheel and seconded by Ms. Chezar to send the request back to BPS for reconsideration to be addressed in the normal course of business.

Discussion: Mr. Scheel explained that this will be reviewed in light of the new information that the LDCs expect a wider use of EDI, which might impact the recommendation. Ms. Phillips added that there is now additional information, which highlights that in some cases, the data sets do not accommodate communicating the request for authorized overruns when nominations for that service are not required. This can be accommodated through a new request, and Mr. Novak will prepare it.

Vote: Procedural vote passed with 18 in favor, zero opposed and five abstaining.

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Discussion:

There was discussion as to the relevance of this request (the narrowness of its scope in particular) to the range and type of existing and proposed practices arising in light of Order No. 637. In Mr. Novak's opinion, events subsequent to the initial processing of this request have made it more likely that there should be a standardization of this type of practice but that the current request is not the right vehicle. He feels that the way that the request was originally presented does not account for the practices that he would like to see standardized. Therefore as a result, Mr. Novak will put in a request that will likely be dealt with in Round 3 of nominations. As for this request, it is likely that the BPS will see a motion to decline it in favor of a later request taking a wider view of the issues identified within this set of practices.

Business Practices Subcommittee, November 30, 2000

Motion: BPS recommends that request R98061 be declined.

BPS Discussion:

none

motion passes unanimously (noted as Vote 1 on the attendance list)

c. Business Purpose:

d. Commentary/Rationale of Subcommittee(s)/Task Force(s):

The subcommittee re-affirms its initial action to decline standardization.