Gas Industry Standards Board

Request for Initiation of a GISB Standard for Electronic Business Transactions

Enhancement of an Existing GISB Standard for Electronic Business Transactions

Date of Request: February 15, 1997

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1. Submitting Entity & Address:

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3. Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

Transco proposes that GISB Standard 1.3.27 be modified to remove the data element Service Provider's Activity Code (Activity Code) from the transaction key. The Activity Code data element is used in Transco's current business practice, but we use it as a *substitute* for the transaction key, not a *part* of the transaction key. Therefore, it should in our view be removed from the list of key elements in the Standard.

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):

Our ability to use the Activity Code in this manner in EDI exchanges is necessary to maintain our current level of service.

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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 will be able to identify gas transactions 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):
- 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.