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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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3. Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

Revise the usage of the Rate Identification Code in the Capacity Release - Firm Transportation and Storage - Offer from Mandatory to Conditional; required when any of the following is populated:

Maximum Rate

Minimum Acceptable Percentage of Maximum Rate

Minimum Acceptable Rate

Minimum Acceptable Volumetric Commitment Percentage

Minimum Acceptable Volumetric Load Factor Percentage

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):

The Rate Identification Code is used to define each of these five data elements and therefore, is applicable only when one of them is present. Each of the five data elements is either Conditional or Sender's Option. If the offer is non-biddable or if the offer is biddable and the Lesser Rate Indicator is either 'N' or 'U', then none of these data elements is required. The current X12 mapping reflects this conditionality.

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

The data dictionary will accurately reflect the purpose and use of the Rate Identification Code in the Offer.

- 6. Estimate of Incremental Specific Costs to Implement Proposed Standard or Enhancement:
- 7. Description of Any Specific Legal or Other Considerations:
- 8. If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement Is Not Tested Yet, List Trading Partners Willing to Test Standard or Enhancement (Corporations and contacts):
- 9. If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement Is In Use, Who are the Trading Partners:
- 10. Attachments (such as: further detailed proposals, transaction data descriptions, information flows, implementation guides, business process descriptions, examples of ASC ANSI X12 mapped transactions):