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Gas Industry Standards Board Request for Initiation of Standard for Electronic Business Transactions or

Enhancement of an Existing GISB Standard for Electronic Business Transactions

1. Submitting Entity & Address:

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3. Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

The request is to add a code value to the UPPD Status Code data element in the Upload to Pipeline of Prearranged Deal - Validation (GISB Standard No 5.4.8). All accepted status codes with the exception of one are "paired" relationships indicating the same information, except that the second code of the pairs indicates that warnings were issued. For example, for the code **AI**, which means "Request passed edits, UPPD accepted, Award Issued," there is the code **AW** meaning "Request passed edits, UPPD accepted, Award Issued with warnings."

However, for the code **RA**, which means "Request passed edits, UPPD accepted, No Confirmation required, Open for bid" there is no companion which adds the "with warnings" qualifier. We believe this value was left out because of an oversight.

4. Use of the Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

This value will complete the Status Code set by adding the capability to inform the recipient that warnings accompany a validation notifying them that the deal must be opened for bidding.

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

By adding the status code for biddable UPPDs "Accepted with Warnings," increased clarity and precision are added, without negatively affecting any current practices. It will correct what TransCapacity believes is an oversight in the specifications.

6. Estimate of Incremental Specific Costs to Implement Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

Any costs associated with this proposed enhancement are zero to minimal. The request does not propose to increase the volume of data sent or require any additional processing. Only the addition of one code value to an existing data element is required.

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 Standard or Enhancement

The change is minor and little or no testing will be required. Nevertheless, TransCapacity would certainly be willing to undertake testing with any other party.

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9. If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement Is In Use, Who are the Trading Partners:

The requested change itself is not in practice at this time as far as is known to TransCapacity.

10. Attachments

None.