

# R98012

## 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:

TransCapacity requests a new standard which would read as follows:

##### Proposed Standard No. 2.3.A

"Upon request to its Transportation Service Provider, a Service Requester should be sent Allocated Quantities documents pursuant to Standard 2.4.3 for the locations at which gas has been scheduled by such TSP for the Service Requester."

#### 4. Use of the Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

This standard would clarify and standardize when, and under what circumstances, Allocation Statements are sent to shippers.

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

This standard would add certainty to both shippers and TSPs as to when Allocation Statements should be sent to shippers. The request-response process insures that shippers are able to get allocation information when they desire it, and also insures that TSPs are only sending these documents when requested by shippers.

It also standardizes the various business practices across TSPs as to whom and when Allocation Statements should be sent.

It does not require any additional technical implementation save the addition of one code value to an existing data set, and will add certainly to the entire allocation process.

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

This proposed standard, in and of itself, has minimal implementation costs associated with it, the Allocation dataset is already required under present standards. This proposal only addresses under what conditions it is sent to a Service Requester. It would require only the addition of a single code value to the "Upload of Request for Download" dataset, which would be a one-time mapping change. Assuming the document is exchanged utilizing the GISB Electronic Delivery Mechanism (EDM) model, variable costs to exchange the document would be zero.

**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**

TransCapacity is certainly willing and able to undertake testing with any party regarding this proposal.

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

As noted, the Allocation Statement dataset is already developed and required to be supported, as is the Upload of Request for Download dataset. The standard only specifies the use of these existing datasets.

**10. Attachments**

None.