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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:

TransCapacity requests a new dataset plus a new code value in the Upload of Request for Download (and response) datasets. These additions would be used to facilitate the transfer of valid code value information to and from trading partners, that is, a downloaded file containing those code values supported by the Transportation Service Provider.

The new dataset would be called "Supported Code Value Information," and the code value addition to the Data Sets Requested data element in the Upload of Request for Download dataset (and Response to Upload of Request dataset) could be called "Supported Code Values."

4. Use of the Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

The additional code value added to the "Data Sets Requested" data element would be used so that data requesters could request the downloadable list of code values supported by the TSP. The same code value added to the "Response to Upload of Request" dataset would be used so that TSP's could respond correctly to the Upload of Request for Download for this dataset.

The Supported Code Values dataset would be the substantive dataset downloaded in response to the request for supported code values information.

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

This would allow a mechanism for Service Requesters to request, and TSP's to provide, supported code value lists to their trading partners.

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

The addition of a code value to the Data Sets Requested data element has a very small one-time cost only of mapping the new code value. No new data elements or other changes to these data sets are required.

The Supported Code Values dataset is a new dataset. As such, it would require a one-time mapping by sending and receiving parties. It should be noted that the data used to populate this dataset in effect, must already exist somewhere in a TSP's back end system(s).

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:

N/A.

10. Attachments

None.