

**Request for Initiation of a GISB Standard for Electronic Business Transactions or
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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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1. Submitting Entity & Address:

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3. Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

Add a new data element "Confirmation Level" ("Conf Lvl") to the Request for Confirmation, Confirmation Response, and Scheduled Quantity for Operators.

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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):

This data element differentiates between the roles of the confirming parties on a TSP that supports multi-level confirmations. When a Request for Confirmation is sent, the confirming party will know for which role (operator, producer, etc) they are being asked to confirm.

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

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

n/a

7. Description of Any Specific Legal or Other Considerations:

n/a

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 :

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10. Attachments (such as : further detailed proposals, transaction data descriptions, information flows, implementation guides, business process descriptions, examples of ASC ANSI X12 mapped transactions):

Code values for this data element:

"OPR" operator
"UDP" up/down party

Proposed usage:

Request for Confirmation:	Sender's Option
Confirmation Response:	Conditional for solicited confirmations; mandatory if present on the Request for Confirmation or if an unsolicited confirmation response
Scheduled Quantity for Operators:	Conditional; mandatory when provided in the Request for Confirmation or unsolicited confirmation response