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Subject: Docket # 07-057-13 and/or 07-057-21 - Application of Questar Gas Co. to increase distribution non-gas rates and charges to make tariff modifications: as filed by the commission on Monday, December 22, 2008.

Dear Commissioners:

It is upsetting to me that this new ruling has been made. Perhaps the commission should think of the consequences this will have to the current owners of CNG vehicles and future condition of clean air in the metropolitan areas extending from Ogden to Provo.

There must be incentives to own and operate the CNG vehicles; otherwise, no one in his right mind will shell out \$5,000 to \$10,000 more for a CNG car. Consider the negatives in owning a similar vehicle right now:

- Big tank taking up your trunk (or other) space.
- Natural gas pressurized up to 3,500 psi in your car somewhere.
- Inconvenient fill locations (18 usable for public in Utah).
- For dedicated cars, no easy-out if you run out of gas.

Now, I realize that there are some positive things that would remain in place:

- Cleaner emissions.
- Cleaner engine and oil.
- Use of HOV lane.
- Tax credit for newly purchase vehicle.
- Lower taxes at pump.

Should the economics of daily driving be put into play and the CNG vehicle owners are forced to pay nearly the same price for fuel, all the work in setting up this CNG system will be thrown out the window. Most of us will not purchase or use CNG anymore.

The low cost of the fuel is the #1 Incentive – period.

I ask that you, as a commission, unanimously reverse the decision.

Sincerely,



James Berrett