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From: Daniel Busche

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January 7, 2009

RE: "DOCKET NO. 07-057-13 In the Matter of the Application of Questar Gas Company to Increase Distribution Non-Gas Rates and Charges to Make Tariff Modifications. As Filed by the Commission on Monday, December 22, 2008

Dear Commissioners:

Pursuant to Utah Code § 63-46b-12, an aggrieved party may file, within 30 days after the date of this Report and Order, a written request for rehearing or reconsideration by the Commission.

I'm an aggrieved party writing to request a rehearing. I purchased a new NGV last May since I travel all over Utah in my car. I drive approximately 40000 miles per year. It is a hassle to have to figure out where your next fill up will be, but I am glad to have such a clean burning, environmentally friendly automobile. That makes up for the hassle factor! This ruling you just made reverses that and will make me go back to driving a regular gasoline/polluting car. It is not worth the effort to hope for good pressure in say Cedar City, Fillmore, Price or Richfield, stations I frequent often during my travels.

As noted above, NGV's produce significantly less air pollution than similar unleaded (and often gas/electric hybrid) vehicles of the same class. I am sure you are aware that the EPA has given Utah 5 years to clean up its air or face a stiff fine. Utah needs help with air quality. While the PSC may not directly deal with air standards, I'm sure you'll agree that helping our air quality is a priority.

Utah's EPA air quality nonattainment areas need to pursue all improvement options. NGVs help, but take away the long term cost incentive of lower fuel cost and you will kill a growing alternate fuel vehicle group and the associated environmental benefits. Natural Gas systems for vehicles are expensive... state tax credits (which are being cut back this year) help, but do not cover these costs. Long term savings in fuel cost lead most owners to invest in NGVs. The significant savings seen this last year lead to unprecedented growth in this use of this fuel... this is a good

thing, please don't undo it.

I understand there is a cost associated with compressing natural gas and maintaining the pumps and stations. Let Questar submit a "cost plus" plan based on the local (WEXPRO) fuel cost plus a fair profit.

Respectfully,

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Daniel Busche

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