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As a Utah resident, I recently purchased a 2008 Honda GX, compressed natural gas (CNG) vehicle. I am an advocate of cleaning up the environment and reducing our dependency on foreign sources of transportation fuel. I am especially appreciative of CNG as a fuel source during the Utah inversions. Any decrease in the pollution levels from cleaner burning vehicles is a benefit to every resident of the Wasatch Front, and should be encouraged.

My work as a construction manager places me outside the office at diverse locations, many of which have no public transportation. I depend on a reliable vehicle for transportation. However, the use of this vehicle has serious limitation. I'm stuck in Utah. There is no fueling support structure for me use this vehicle to travel out of state, even to projects in Idaho. I can't get past St. George, Wendover or Tremonton, or even get to and back from Vernal. That's why I'm **upset about the recent PSC assessment that users of CNG auto fuel are not customers of Questar Gas Company. The ONLY users of CNG gas in Utah ARE customers of Questar Gas Company.** I'm a resident, I use natural gas to heat my home and now I power a (very expensive) car for transportation.

The PSC's rational that CNG auto fuel customers should pay more because auto fuel is a "non-traditional utility service, especially since CNG is available to the general public and is not limited to Questar Gas Company customers.", is absolute idiocy! Utah residents should pay the same rate for CNG auto fuel as they do for CNG heating fuel.

Kindly correct this error in judgment. Who do you think buys CNG fuel in Utah? It's Utahn's, customers of Questar Gas Company. No one else can get here to buy it! So, as Utahn's, we are all customers of Questar anytime we heat a home or pull up to the pump. **CNG gas rates in Utah must be based on the 50/50 Wexpro/National formula used for other rate payers.** To do otherwise is a completely inaccurate notion of the customer base for CNG auto fuel, and an inequitable application of judgment on your part. We, the CNG fuel users in Utah are Utahn's. Treat us like it! Include the Wexpro resource in the formula for calculating CNG auto fuel.

An Upset Utah Resident and proud owner of a clean fuel vehicle.



"J" Lemanski