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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:

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My wife and I had discussed the prospect of investing in a CNG fueled vehicle for some time. Not desiring to take chances with non-EPA approved conversions, we decided to buy new. This would be our first ever new car purchase and we were very excited. So we went on the wait list for a new NGV Civic. Imagine our joy when Ken Garff called just two days before Christmas to say our new Civic GX was available for pickup. At \$30k with tax and licensing, it wasn't an inexpensive economy car, but we were looking forward to the prospect of driving one of the cleanest cars on the planet and enjoying low stable CNG prices from locally developed wells. We don't drive much, but figured with the current tax credits and assuming \$1.25 per Gal we'd get payback on our investment in 10 years.

We picked up our new car Friday the 26th of December. That same day we were shocked and sickened to learn of the PSC's ruling to drive local NGV fuel prices to national commodity price levels, which have little to do with cost of service. This act is outright hostile to current NGV owners and, if it stands, will prove fatal to the fragile Utah market for NGVs. Why would the Commission single out NGV owners to pay twice the local market price for a homogeneous product? As Utah tax payers and Questar customers for 27 years, we feel as entitled to share in the benefits of the Wexpro gas field development as any of our neighbors. Singling us out as nontraditional users or as having the luxury of choice in fuels is arbitrary and capricious at best. Please note that our car is dedicated to burn only CNG.

We are not opposed to paying our fair share of the infrastructure development and maintenance cost of publicly accessible fill stations. We urge the Commission to consider the impact of its ruling and visit alternative nurturing approaches such as assessing a surcharge on NGV CNG user to fund planned infrastructure development.

Sincerely,
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