

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

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In the Matter of the Application of QUESTAR GAS COMPANY to Adjust Rates for Natural Gas Service in Utah	)	<u>DOCKET NO. 03-057-05</u>
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	)	<u>DOCKET NO. 01-057-14</u>
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In the Matter of the Application of QUESTAR GAS COMPANY to Adjust Rates for Natural Gas Service in Utah	)	<u>DOCKET NO. 99-057-20</u>
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	)	<u>DOCKET NO. 98-057-12</u>
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In the Matter of the Application of QUESTAR GAS COMPANY for a General Increase in Rates and Charges	)	<u>ORDER DIRECTING A SETTLEMENT MEETING</u>
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In the Matter of the Application of QUESTAR GAS COMPANY for Approval of a Natural Gas Processing Agreement	)	
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ISSUED: July 7, 2004

By the Commission:

The Commissioners<sup>1</sup> continue to meet, as their schedules permit, to discuss and deliberate on the issues associated with the CO2 plant costs; in an attempt to achieve a consensus and issue a unanimous decision in Docket Nos. 98-057-12, 99-057-20, 01-057-14, and 03-057-05. They anticipate issuing a written order sometime in August, 2004. The Commission notes that the prior agreement concerning recovery of CO2 processing costs ended, by its own terms, in May, 2004. The Commission, parties to these proceedings and all other interested persons will have to address the incurrence and claims for recovery of post-May, 2004, CO2 plant costs as Questar Gas Company continues to record these costs in its 191 Account. Because only a small percentage of customers have ensured their appliances' compatibility over the past several years, customer safety may be problematic due to customer appliance settings and the quality of natural gas that may be delivered in the near, middle and long term to the Questar Gas Company service territory. The Commission directs the parties and other interested persons to meet and explore whether possible settlement, pursuant to Utah Code 54-7-1, can be reached on these post-May, 2004, cost and safety issues, and

exploration of a more definitive plan to address customer needs and transitions to accommodate different natural gas quality levels. If a settlement proposal can be reached and presented to resolve the issues associated with the CO2 plant, past, present and future, the Commission encourages discussion of such a resolution. The Commission directs that the Division of Public Utilities provide the Commission with a status report within 20 days and 30 day of the issuance of this order, informing the Commission of the progress made in the settlement process.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2004.

/s/ Constance B. White, Commissioner

/s/ Ted Boyer, Commissioner

/s/ Val Oveson, Commissioner Pro Tem

Attest:

/s/ Julie Orchard  
Commission Secretary

GW#39194 (Docket No. 99-057-20)  
G#39197 (Docket No. 98-057-12)  
G#39198 (Docket No. 01-057-14)  
G#39199 (Docket No. 03-057-05)