

## State of Utah

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To: Utah Public Service Commission

From: Utah Committee of Consumer Services

Date: January 31, 2006

Re: Joint Application of Questar Gas Company, the Division of Public Utilities, and Utah Clean

Energy, for the Approval of the Conservation Enabling Tariff Adjustment Option and

Accounting Orders, Docket No. 05-057-T01

The Utah Committee of Consumer Services requests that the Utah Public Service Commission stay further proceedings in Docket No. 05-057-T01, except for subject implementation of an interim rate reduction of \$10.2 million as described in the Joint Application by Questar Gas Company, the Utah Division of Public Utilities, and Utah Clean Energy, which initiated this proceeding.

The Committee makes this request in the interest of the deliberate and careful consideration of each separate item of relief requested and the analysis, audit and review of Questar's and the Division's allegations in support of each. The rate change and rate impact consequential to each item of relief requested must be determined by the Commission to be just and reasonable. That determination requires that the Committee and all interested and intervening parties be afforded an opportunity to meaningfully represent the interests of their constituents who are Questar customers.

The Committee requests that on February 3, 2006, the Commission hold a scheduling conference for the purpose of entering an Order that allows for investigation, discovery, intervention and testimony and that establishes a timetable that recognizes the true scope and impact of the Joint Application.

The Committee also requests the opportunity to fully investigate and address whether the Joint Application, and in particular as it is conditioned by paragraph 40, is a proper and appropriate form for determining whether just and reasonable rates will result from the Joint Application and each of its components.

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