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## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

In the Matter of the Investigation and the Consolidation of Dockets of the Formal Complaints Against Questar Gas Company	)	Docket No. 08-057-11
Relating to Back-Billing	)	

## PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE of SALT LAKE COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM

Pursuant to the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Utah Public Service Commission (Commission), Salt Lake Community Action Program hereby petitions for leave to intervene in the above-captioned docket and, in support thereof, states as follows:

- 1. Salt Lake Community Action Program (SLCAP) is a private nonprofit community-based organization that addresses the needs of low-income people through service delivery and advocacy.
- 2. SLCAP has a special interest in ensuring that the people it represents are charged just and reasonable rates for natural gas service and are treated in a fair and reasonable manner. It also has an interest in the reliable provision of gas service and the efficient and effective functioning of Questar Gas Company with regard to billing and customer protection provisions.
- 3. Furthermore, since SLCAP represents low income people, it has a particular interest in the transponder issues raised in this docket and their impact both on people with retroactive bills as well as the potential impact on all other residential ratepayers. The issue of back-billing has special significance for low income customers since people with limited incomes pay such a disproportionate share of their income for their regular utility service and will find it very difficult to deal with a large back bill.
- 4. Accordingly, SLCAP possesses a direct and substantial interest in the subject matter of

this case, and seeks via this intervention petition to protect that interest as it may appear. Participation in this docket will be in the public interest and may also be of particular assistance to the Commission in rendering informed decisions on the issues that will likely be raised.

- 5. Intervention by SLCAP will not delay the proceeding or unduly burden the other parties in the proceeding.
- 6. SLCAP requests that all pleadings, correspondence, discovery, and other documents be served on:

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Respectfully submitted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008.

Betsy Wolf, Utility Ratepayer Advocate Salt Lake Community Action Program I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Petition for Leave to Intervene in Docket No. 08-057-11, of Salt Lake Community Action Program, was distributed electronically this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008, to the following:

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