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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

**In the Matter of a Request for Agency
Action to Review the Carrying Charges
Applied to Various Questar Gas Company
Account Balances**

DOCKET NO. 15-057-01

REQUEST FOR AGENCY ACTION

1. The Utah Division of Public Utilities (Division) pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 63G-4-201 and Utah Admin. Code R746-100-3 respectfully requests that the Public Service Commission of Utah (Commission) open a docket and issue a Notice of Scheduling Conference to address the review and possible modification of the annual carrying charge on various Questar Gas Company (Company or Questar Gas) accounts as found in the Company's Utah Natural Gas Tariff No. 400 (Tariff).

I. JURISDICTION

2. Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 54-4-1, the Commission is "vested with power and jurisdiction to supervise and regulate every public utility in this state, and to supervise all of the business of every such public utility in this state, and to do all things,

whether herein specifically designated or in addition thereto, which are necessary or convenient in the exercise of such power and jurisdiction . . .”

3. The Commission has authority to determine and order “just, reasonable, or sufficient rates, fares, tolls, rentals, charges, classifications, rules, regulations, practices, or contracts” if it finds that any of the above is “unjust, unreasonable, discriminatory, preferential, or otherwise in violation of any provisions of law.” See Utah Code Ann. § 54-4-4.

4. In furtherance thereof, pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 54-4-2(1), the Commission may “conduct an investigation if [it] determines an investigation:

(i) is necessary to secure compliance with this title or with an order of the commission;

(ii) is in the public interest; or

(iii) ...of any schedule, classification, rate, price, charge, fare, toll, rental, rule, regulation, service, or facility of any public utility.”

5. In addition, the Commission, “may, with respect to any matter within its jurisdiction, order the director of the Division of Public Utilities to . . . conduct research, studies, and investigations . . .” Utah Code Ann. § 54-4-1.5.

6. The Division may “commence original proceedings, before the Public Service Commission, and engage in all other activities consistent with its statutory responsibilities” and may “investigate or study, upon complaint, upon order of the Public Service Commission, or upon its own initiative, any matter within the jurisdiction of the commission.” Utah Code Ann. § 54-4a-1(a) and (c).

II. BACKGROUND

7. Questar Gas, a Utah corporation, is a public utility engaged in the distribution of natural gas primarily to customers in the states of Utah and Wyoming. The Company's public utility activities are regulated by the Commission, and the Company's rates, charges, and general conditions for natural gas service in Utah are set forth in its Commission approved Tariff. In addition, the Company serves customers in the Preston, Idaho area. Under the terms of an agreement between the Commission and the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, the rates for these Idaho customers are determined by the Utah Commission. Volumes for these customers have been included in the Utah volumes.

8. Pursuant to Questar's Utah Natural Gas Tariff No. 400, the Company's current Commission approved carrying charge is six percent on the following accounts.

Account	Description
182.3	Demand Side Management
182.4	Pipeline & Distribution Integrity
191	Pass Through Costs
235.1	Customer Deposits
191	CET
191.8	Energy Assistance Balancing Account
	Extension Area Charge (EAC)

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III. REQUEST

9. The Division respectfully requests that the Commission open a docket in this matter and hold a scheduling conference as soon as practicable to allow interested parties a chance to address modifying the carrying charge.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: December 31, 2014

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