

# **UTAH RATEPAYERS ALLIANCE**

**The Salt Lake Community Action Program**

**The Crossroads Urban Center**

**Utah Legislative Watch**

1338 Foothill Blvd. PMB134

Salt Lake City, Utah 84108

June 3, 2002

Julie Orchard, Commission Secretary  
Public Service Commission  
160 East 300 South, 4th Floor  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84101

Re: Docket No. 02-057-02

Dear Ms. Orchard:

Enclosed is the Petition for Leave to Intervene of the Salt Lake Community Action Program, the Crossroads Urban Center and Utah Legislative Watch (Collectively referred to as the Utah Ratepayers Alliance or URA) in the above-referenced docket. Please file as is your usual practice.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Utah Legislative Watch

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Crossroads Urban Center

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Salt Lake Community Action Program

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH**

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In the Matter of the Application of )  
Questar Gas Company for a General ) DOCKET NO. 02-057-02  
Increase in Rates and Charges )  
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PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

Pursuant to the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Utah Public Service Commission (Commission), The Salt Lake Community Action Program, the Crossroads Urban Center and Utah Legislative Watch (Collectively known as the Utah Ratepayers Alliance) hereby petition for leave to intervene in the above-captioned docket and, in support thereof, state as follows:

1. The Salt Lake Community Action Program (CAP) is a private nonprofit community-based organization that addresses the needs of low-income people through service delivery and advocacy.
2. Crossroads Urban Center (Crossroads) is a nonprofit community-based organization serving the needs of low-income people in the Salt Lake Metropolitan Area.
3. Utah Legislative Watch (ULW) is a nonprofit volunteer corporation established to address the interests of citizens of Utah as consumers and as taxpayers.
4. CAP, Crossroads and ULW have a special interest in ensuring that the people they represent are charged fair and reasonable gas rates. Any change in the tariffs of Questar Gas Company may have an impact on residential electric customers and the price that residential customers will have to pay.
5. Furthermore, since Salt Lake Community Action Program and Crossroads Urban Center represent low income people, those organizations have a particular interest in ensuring that natural gas utility rates remain as low as possible since people with limited incomes pay such a disproportionate share of their income for energy utilities.
6. Accordingly, CAP, Crossroads and ULW possess a direct and substantial interest in the subject matter of this case, and seek 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.

7. Intervention by CAP, Crossroads and ULW will not delay the proceeding or unduly burden the other parties in the proceeding.

8. CAP, Crossroads and ULW request that all pleadings, correspondence, discovery, and other documents be served on:

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Respectfully submitted this 3th day of June, 2002.

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