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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing in concern CNG price hike that was ruled on December 22, 2008. I am not sure where this came from or why it was considered but what i do know is that this voids any reason for people to switch to a cleaner burning and less expensive means for transportation. I bought a NGV last february in order to reduce my expenses and the only way i could justify it was that CNG was 0.63 per gallon. I had a very large initial investment to pay for the vehicle but with the high oil prices it made sense to make the purchase to protect me and my family from oil independence and help our dollars stretch a little bit further. With this price hike I will loose any benefit that I had previously with CNG. This is including but not limited to the value of the vehicle i bought will be significantly decreased, I will loose any savings that i had by using CNG as opposed to conventional gasoline, and this will again restrict and reduce my income which is less than 26k a year. I am already streched thin and am doing the best that I can, your rulling and CNG price hike negates any benefit of the abundance of natural gas found in Utah. We have abundant resources with natural gas with your increase in prices it will damage the already unstable and starving local economy. I'm not the greatest debater or very proficient when it comes to writing an argument but you cannot be blind the the consequences of this ruling. My family and I would strongly urge you to reconsider this price hike to include road tax only and let our local community benefit from our natural resource.

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