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>>> Constituent Services <constituentservices@utah.gov> 1/12/2009 2:27 PM
Below is an inquiry which was received by the Governor's Office of Constituent Services on 01/12/2009. Please respond directly to the constituent and reply to this email with a copy of your response by 1/26/2009.

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Russell D Fisher

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SUBJECT:

Hello,

I am writing concerning the recent decision by the Utah PSC to restructure the pricing for CNG (Compressed Natural Gas) for Vehicles to track with other national market prices. I purchased a dedicated CNG vehicle for my business Solely on the PRICE issue. My Business CANNOT continue with the pricing adjustments enacted by the PSC. Yes, it is true that that price will not be too high right now... but when (not IF) Unleaded gas goes back up, the CNG price would track right behind it. This is NOT because of any underlying COST BASIS (i do follow the wholesale commodity price), but because the rest of the country is DOMINATED by ONE COMPANY (can you say PICKINS??) which controls the rice of CNG Everywhere except Utah and Wyoming. Given that our supply is unique to our area (and much less expensive) there is no reason to FORCE the price up to that of the national Monopoly price...

If the State of Utah is really serious about VIABLE alternative clean-air technology vehicles then this decision KILLS an entire category of vehicle.

I know that you as Governor have championed the CNG/NGV cause in the past and were instrumental in SAVING us from the Pickins onslaught recently.

PLEASE!!! Put the needed pressure on the PSC to REVERSE this poorly thought-out plan and move to suppress those WONKS who are continually trying to SQUASH the CNG/NVG program in our great state!

My business is a green-based business and the Clean-Air aspect of the CNG/NVG program is also important to help improve the air quality in our communities!

Thank you for your attention to this PRESSING Problem, and your previous help in this regard.

Russell Fisher