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Dear Governor Huntsman and other parties:

My company recently acquired a transportation company here in Utah. It was losing money every month and had been for years. We removed all gas powered vehicles and replaced them with CNG cars and trucks.

We did this at four times the cost than just going ahead with gasoline powered automobiles. We did this for many reasons. First, keeping Utah Air Clean, Second having been told that in Utah natural gas is plentiful and therefore we would be supporting Utah resources, and third, it would always be inexpensive. Governor, as you know, CNG cars are expensive to repair. There are natural gas wells in Southern Utah that are being bled into the air because there is so much natural gas being piped into northern Utah. We have oil wells all over Utah and neighboring states and yet Utah has higher gasoline prices than most states. The gas stations that sell natural gas here in Utah receive 20 cents a gallon for selling CNG. Most stations that sell gasoline make between 5 and 12 cents a gallon. So the stations are happy. And it is my belief that Questar is making good money even at 87 cents a gallon. Why give them reasons to hold us hostage like the gasoline company's? So to sum up CNG cars cost more to buy! Cost more to maintain! So why let the company's charge as much as gasoline company's when they do not pay as much as the petroleum company's do. If we want people to invest in clean air we need to at least break even on our CNG investments. We would appreciate a formal review and reconsideration of PSC dockets 07-057-13 and 08-057-21 with regard to CNG transportation. There seems to be a disconnect with regard to CNG, clean air, tax rebates on new vehicles and the PSC. On one hand your introductory web page shows much concern for clean air, etc. and now the PSC is attempting to drive CNG from the state via pricing tariffs.

Thank You
Brian Leifson