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SUBJECT:
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January 16, 2009

The Honorable Jon Huntsman Jr.
Governor of Utah
350 North State Street, Suite E200
Salt Lake City, UT 84114-2220

Dear Governor Huntsman:

Dear Governor Huntsman,

I am taking time out of my day to write you concerning an issue that is very important to me. This past September I followed your example by purchasing a used NGV vehicle in an effort to do my part in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and our nation's dependence on foreign energy sources. You can imagine how disappointed I was to hear that our Public Service Commission decided to approve an almost unbelievable rate increase on NGV refueling rates.

If Questar is truly subsidizing the current rate through the costs to its residential customers then I believe we should look to have the rate subsidized by petroleum users. If our goal is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and our dependence on foreign energy sources we should provide an incentive to do so. In fact the entire state benefits from my decision to drive a NGV vehicle the 44 miles roundtrip to work each day rather than an eight cylinder diesel truck.

If the rate needs to be increased, why is Questar using the cost from the national market rates rather than the regional rates? I can't tell you how many TV commercials I've seen where a Questar representative touts the benefits that Utah residents reap by living in this region with stable low cost rates that are available from Wyoming and Utah wells.

I hope that you will take steps to stop this action by the Public Service Commission and continue to support alternative fuel choices for the great State of Utah.

Sincerely,

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