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RE: "DOCKET NO. 07-057-13 In the Matter of the Application of Questar Gas Company to Increase Distribution Non-Gas Rates and Charges to Make Tariff Modifications. As Filed by the Commission on Monday, December 22, 2008"

The recent news about a decision to force Questar to raise its natural gas rates has come as a total shock on multiple levels for me as an individual and as a business owner.

As a business owner in this great state for the past 10 years we came across an incredible idea. That idea was to change vehicles in our fleet to natural gas. We removed several of our gas vehicles and added natural gas vehicles to our fleet. We added natural gas vehicles to our fleet for two main reasons.

1. Cheaper fuel costs. As gasoline eventually peaked around \$4+ per gallon natural gas for a business vehicle at .60+ cents per gallon was an obvious advantage to help our business continue to provide essential services in this downturned economy in an attempt to continue doing business.
2. Less use of foreign oil. As a number one concern in this past presidential election became the "700 billion" dollars a year we were sending to countries who don't like us very much. As a person who individually drives 3000-4000 miles monthly; what a great way to help our local economy by purchasing a clean natural burning gas that doesn't contribute to the export of our money.

If you continue with this ruling to force natural gas prices to increase you have reversed all reasons for why we purchased our natural gas vehicles to begin with. If natural gas prices become even again or even more expensive than our current gasoline prices rest assured there will be LESS REVENUE from natural gas and more money being put back into our gas tanks with the same gasoline that has caused our nation to become so dependent that when prices increased so dramatically it brought families and their family budgets all across the nation to their knees.

As a business owner and a family...please; do not continue with this ruling. Keep our natural gas pumps cheap, clean, and ideal for our families in this great nation and our great state. Let UTAH pave the way for the nation to oil independence that we as a nation and as individuals desperately need for the future of our families!

I know the right decision will be made!