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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

Dear Commissioners:

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I am a Questar residential customer who uses natural gas for domestic purposes, and also to fuel our family's NGV, an Inherently Low Emissions Vehicle, as qualified by the federal EPA. I understand the latter use will no longer be considered "traditional" under 08-057-13 and will be charged a rate based on international, not local market natural gas prices. Consider this my request for reconsideration of this matter.

We would have virtually no air quality problems in this Valley if everyone drove NGV's. The proposed increase in NGV fuel price will destroy the momentum we have achieved in Utah with increasing number of people driving NGV's. Whether there is or isn't an unfair subsidy for natural gas, a subsidy does makes environmental (carbon footprint) sense. There are virtually no criteria pollutants from natural gas vehicles and the fuel is virtually all domestically produced. To provide all the outrageous subsidies to the big oil companies (for high-carbon diesel and gasoline fuels), then to discourage people from buying NGV's because the clean fuel might be subsidized is simply incredible.

And the result? More filthy air that results not only in major health problems (and some deaths), but also is a deterrent to sustained economic development in Utah. Why would a company want to relocate to the SLC area when you can't breathe the air without getting sick? I know people who have moved away for that very reason. If I ever moved from here, it would be because of the poor, unhealthy air quality. I want my grandchildren to grow up in a healthy environment.

The 07-057-13 docket is fundamentally flawed. The Wexpro fuel resource should not be excluded, as all Questar rate payers have equity in this regional resource. There are approximately 800,000 Questar rate payers. Roughly 1% of those same Questar customers are making nationally recognized, significant contributions to air quality improvements with their commitment to driving NGV's. I'm hard pressed to see where the 792,000 Questar "traditional" rate payers that presently do not drive NGV's mind paying less than a \$1.00 a month each for cleaner air in our state.

Sincerely,

(signed on fax copy)

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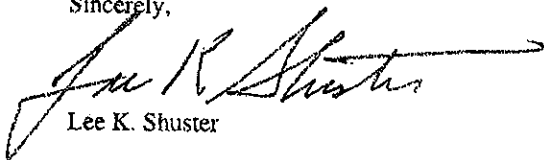
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