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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,

I am disheartened over the ruling made regarding CNG gas rate increases. I purchased a CNG vehicle for several reasons.

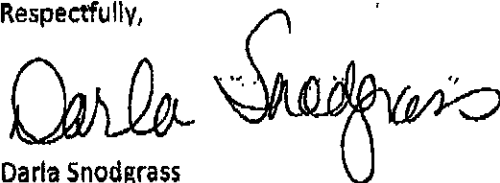
Natural gas is the cleanest transportation fuel available today. According to the California Energy Commission, critical greenhouse gas emissions from natural gas are 23% lower than diesel and 30% lower than gasoline. With the pollution along the Wasatch front, and during the winter months the poor air quality, I am trying to do my part by using a CNG vehicle.

With the unstable oil market CNG is an alternative which would allow our country time to develop other fuel alternatives. As imports grow and world prices rise, the amount of money we send to foreign nations every year is soaring. As a country we should not be dependent upon foreign countries for anything let alone oil.

I have a home and pay rates for Questar/WEXPRO. I don't feel Questar should continue to subsidize the CNG prices in Utah but to raise us to the national average when we already pay rate hikes for WEXPRO for our homes, doesn't seem fair. By raising the cost of CNG at the pump it will discourage other people from converting/purchasing their vehicles. I see this as a step backward that will push a lot of people back into their gasoline vehicles, or keep them from converting.

I hope there can be a middle ground where Questar is treated right, the environment is protected, and government allows individuals to have a viable cost effective alternative

Respectfully,

  
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