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Dear Utah Public Service Commission
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I would also like to express my concerns with the decision of Utah Public Service Commission on 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. I am very disappointed about the recent announcement to raise the price of natural gas used by CNG vehicles. This act was not thought out or planned intelligently. I like many others paid a premium for a vehicle that ran on a clean and efficient CNG car with the knowledge that Questar did not control their own prices and I would be protected from ridiculous price hikes by the representatives we elected to represent the interests of the people. With this premium I paid, I estimated a time frame that would allow me to cover the difference in vehicle costs by the ratio of gasoline to CNG prices. Now with the estimated increase in CNG prices I may never see this difference returned. It is clear to me that the Service Commission does not have the public's interest in mind during this time of a weak economy.

An example as to why it is clear that the PSC does not have the public in mind I am going to state some numbers copied directly from <http://finance.google.com>. As of Sep. 08 Exxon had a net profit margin of 10.77%, BP with 7.81% profit and Chevron with 10.01% now let's look at Questar Corp. at 26.84%. Questar has a profit of nearly 3 times that of the major "Big Oil" companies. And you want to raise the prices of CNG to the national average? And support Questar with these added profits? Why I ask you! We as tax payers helped Questar develop the Wexpro gas reserves and what does the PSC and Questar reward us with? One of the most profitable forms of Fuel in the world!

The Wasatch Front, during some of the worst inversions, ranks within the top 5 most polluted areas in the world. Due to the low tank size and fewer miles driven per tank, as well as the low number of fuel stations is already are minimizing the number of people who are willing to purchase a CNG vehicle. Please I ask of you to re-open DOCKET NO. 07-057-13 and reverse its ruling. Do what is right for the public. Allow us to keep our low fueled natural gas vehicles and allow us to be examples and encourage more people to change over to cleaner burning and lower polluting automobiles.

Thanks
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