

APPLICATION OF QUESTAR )  
GAS COMPANY FOR AUTHORITY ) Docket No. 12-057-02  
TO CHANGE ITS EXISTING TARIFF )  
BY REMOVING THE COMMODITY ) APPLICATION  
AMORTIZATION RATE )

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APPLICATION  
AND  
EXHIBITS

January 17, 2012

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Questar Gas Company (Questar Gas or Company), respectfully requests the Utah Public Service Commission (Commission) to approve a decrease in its existing PSCU Tariff No. 400 by removing the debit amortization from the commodity portion of the firm sales rate schedules. In support of this request, Questar Gas states as follows:

1. Applicable Statutes. The Commission may grant relief requested in this case pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 54-4-1 (2009) *et seq.* and § 54-7-13.5 (3)(a) (2009).
2. Tariff Provision. The Commission has authorized Questar Gas to implement Account No. 191 of the Uniform System of Accounts to balance its gas costs with revenues. This filing is made under §2.06 of the Tariff, pages 2-8 through 2-13, which sets forth procedures for recovering gas costs shown in Account No. 191 by means of periodic and special adjustments to rates and an amortization of that account over one year.
3. Exhibit A is PSCU Tariff No. 400, pages 2-2, 2-3, 2-4 and 2-5 in final format.
4. The Company proposes to remove the \$0.12903/Dth debit amortization from the commodity portion of rates for all firm sales classes. This amortization was approved by the Commission in Docket No. 11-057-08 using a July 2011 debit balance in the commodity portion of the 191 Account of \$13,296,450. The amortization of \$0.12903/Dth was expected

to eliminate that balance by September 2012. Actual gas prices and customer usage have been at a level such that the amortization is no longer needed. The removal of the debit amortization will result in an annual decrease of approximately \$13.3 million (Docket No. 11-057-08, Exhibit 1.6, page 1, footnote 4, filed on August 31, 2011).

5. The commodity balance in the December 2011 191 account is estimated to be zero. The Company will continue to monitor this account and will provide monthly reports to the Commission, Division of Public Utilities and the Office of Consumer Services. The Company plans to file its second pass-through application later in 2012. That pass-through filing will be based on the most recent forecast of gas prices updated for any changes in the 191 account balance at that time.
6. Exhibit B shows the effect of the proposed change to the typical GS customer. The change results in a decrease of \$10.31 or (1.51%) for the typical GS customer.

WHEREFORE, Questar Gas respectfully requests that the Commission, in accordance with its rules and procedures and the Company's tariff:

1. Enter an order authorizing Questar Gas to implement rates and charges applicable to its Utah natural gas firm sales service that reflect the removal of the \$0.12903/Dth debit amortization from the commodity component of rates, effective February 1, 2012.

DATED the 17<sup>th</sup> day of January 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

QUESTAR GAS COMPANY

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PROPOSED RATE SCHEDULES

P.S.C. Utah No. 400  
Affecting All Firm Sales Rate Schedules  
and Classes of Service in  
Questar Gas Company's  
Utah Service Area

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