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**To: Public Service Commission**

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**SUBJECT:** Request for a Scheduling Conference in Docket No. 12-057-04.

**ISSUE:**

On March 8, 2012, the Utah Public Service Commission (Commission) sent to the Utah Division of Public Utilities (Division) an Action Request in Docket No. 12-057-04 In the Matter of the Application of Questar Gas Company To Provide Natural Gas Transportation Service to Serve The Lake Side Power Plant Facility, with a due date of April 6, 2012.

**DISCUSSION:**

On March 2, 2012, Questar Gas Company (QGC) filed with the Commission in Docket No. 12-057-04, the Direct Testimony of Barrie L. McKay along with a Second Agreement For Firm Transportation to PacifiCorp Lakeside Generating Facilities seeking Commission approval. As part of that Agreement, found in Section 4, Termination, a deadline of July 1, 2012 has been set for QGC to receive Commission approval and for Questar Pipeline to receive FERC approval. If approval is not received by that time, PacifiCorp has the option to (a) terminate the contract, (b) opt not to terminate but instead (i) extend the agreed in-service date from

April 1, 2014 or (ii) bear the financial risk of not obtaining the required approvals in a timely manner.

The Division along with the Office of Consumer Services have already issued data requests to QGC and PacifiCorp regarding this Second Agreement. In order to establish a suitable timeframe for responses to the data requests, while allowing time for the Division and Office to review the material received in those data responses, the Division requests that the Commission establish a scheduling conference. Doing so will better define a response time by the Division to the Commission in the March 8, 2012 Action Request as well as gain an understanding of the importance of a July 1, 2012 approval deadline.

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