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## REQUEST FOR SCHEDULING CONFERENCE

**To:** Public Service Commission of Utah

**From:** Utah Division of Public Utilities  
Chris Parker, Director  
Artie Powell, Energy Section Manager  
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**Date:** August 2, 2012

**Subject:** Request for Scheduling Conference

### ISSUE

On August 1, 2012, Questar Gas Company (Company) submitted to the Public Service Commission of Utah (PSC) Docket No. 12-057-08, QGC Pass-Through Application, Docket No. 12-057-09, QGC Conservation Enabling Tariff, Docket No. 12-057-10, QGC Energy Efficiency Amortization, Docket No. 12-057-11, QGC Low Income Assistance Rate and Docket No. 12-057-12, QGC Infrastructure Rate Adjustment. The Company has identified and announced September 1, 2012 as the effective date of these requested rate changes. The Action Requests submitted to the Division of Public Utilities (Division) identified August 31, 2012 as the due date for the Division's response.

## RECOMMENDATION

In response to the Action Requests, the Division recommends that the Commission set a schedule conference for the purpose of establishing a hearing date to address these issues prior to the requested implementation date of September 1, 2012.

## DISCUSSION:

**Docket No. 12-057-08** is the 191 pass through adjustment for gas costs. This application proposes a decrease in the forecasted price of purchased gas resulting in a net decrease of \$5,720,000 in commodity rates. The proposed changes will result in a \$4.43 reduction in the typical GS residential customer's annual bill.

**Docket No. 12-057-09** is a request to amortize an over-collected CET balance of \$2,671,000 in Account 191.9. This proposed change will result in a \$0.72 decrease in the typical GS residential customer's annual bill.

**Docket No. 12-057-10** is a request to decrease the current Energy Efficiency amortization rate component of the GS DNG Rate Class from \$0.40867 to \$0.30743. This proposed change will result in a \$8.12 decrease in the typical GS residential customer's annual bill.

**Docket No. 12-057-11** is a request to adjust the Low Income Energy Assistance one-time credit amount to qualified participants from \$52/ year to \$41/ year.

**Docket No. 12-057-12** is a request of the Company to adjust the Infrastructure Rate Adjustment to the DNG rate of its GS, FS, TS, IS, FT-1, NGV and MT natural gas schedules and if approved, a \$1.68 increase in a typical GS residential customer's annual bill will result.

The Division expects to finish its analysis of these five dockets and file its recommendation regarding these dockets on or before August 9, 2012.

The Division therefore requests the Commission set a scheduling conference for the purpose of establishing and noticing a hearing date to address these issues prior to the requested implementation date of September 1, 2012.

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