

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

In the Matter of the Application of Questar)
Gas Company for Authority to File a Change) DOCKET NO. 12-057-19
in its Existing Tariff) NOTICE OF HEARING AND
) PROCEDURAL ORDER
)

ISSUED: January 14, 2013

By The Commission:

This matter is before the Public Service Commission of Utah (“Commission”) upon the application filed by Questar Gas Company (“Company”) on December 6, 2012 (“Application”). In the Application, the Company proposes to make changes to Section 2.03 of its firm service (“FS Rate Schedule”), Section 5.01 of its Transportation Conditions of Service, and Section 5.07 of its transportation service (“TS Rate Schedule”).

Briefly, the Company proposes to: 1) clarify in the FS Rate Schedule Classification Provision (1) that the customer’s load factor must be 40 percent or greater as determined using three years of annual usage; 2) add language clarifying the process a customer must complete in order to receive transportation service; and, 3) add TS Rate Schedule Classification Provision (9) requiring customers to have a certain size and type of meter in order to qualify to receive transportation service. The Company requests the Commission approve the proposed changes with an effective date of January 21, 2013. The Company’s Application and proposed tariff sheets can be viewed at the following weblink:

<http://www.psc.utah.gov/utilities/gas/gasindx/1205719indx.html>

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On January 4, 2013, the Utah Division of Public Utilities filed its review and recommendations on the Company's application. The Division supports the Company's proposed changes but also recommends additional language describing load factor requirements for the FS Rate Schedule. Specifically, the Division recommends the following language concerning a customer's load factor and requirements for FS Rate Schedule Classification (1):

Average daily usage ÷ peak winter day. (Average daily usage is equal to the last 3 years of annual usage ÷ 1,095. Peak winter day is defined in Section 11 of this tariff. If 3 years of annual usage is not available, the Company may estimate usage or use any available actual usage. Customers with a load factor of 40% or greater qualify for the FS Rate Schedule. Customers with a load factor below 35% do not qualify for FS service. If a customer's load factor falls below 40%, but is greater than 35%, the customer may remain an FS customer for one year, after which such customer must have a load factor of 40% or greater to continue to qualify for FS service.¹

Notice is hereby given that a hearing in this matter will be conducted by the Administrative Law Judge for the Commission on **Friday, January 25, 2013, beginning at 9:00 a.m. (MST), in the Fourth Floor Hearing Room 451, Heber M. Wells Bldg., 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah.**

The Commission invites interested parties to file written comments concerning the Application by **5:00 p.m. (MST), January 23, 2013.** The Commission requests parties filing such comments, state in their comments whether they intend to participate in the hearing, and to identify the witnesses they plan to present.

¹ Utah Division of Public Utilities, Action Request Response regarding Docket No. 12-057-19, Application of Questar Gas Company for Authority to File a Change in its Existing Tariff, January 4, 2013, Exhibit A, Revised Tariff Pages, at 2.

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Individuals wishing to participate in the hearings by telephone should contact the Public Service Commission two days in advance by calling (801) 530-6716 or (toll-free) 1-866-PSC-UTAH (1-866-772-8824). Participants attending by telephone should then call the Public Service Commission at one of the numbers posted above five minutes prior to the hearings to ensure participation.

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DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 14th day of January, 2013.

/s/ Melanie A. Reif
Administrative Law Judge

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
Commission Secretary
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 14th day of January, 2013, a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Hearing and Procedural Order was served upon the following as indicated below:

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