

APPLICATION OF QUESTAR GAS) Docket No. 15-057-18
COMPANY TO AMORTIZE THE)
DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT/)
ENERGY EFFICIENCY)
DEFERRED ACCOUNT BALANCE) APPLICATION

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APPLICATION
AND
EXHIBITS

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- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

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Questar Gas Company (Questar Gas or the Company) respectfully submits this application to the Utah Public Service Commission (Commission) for approval to continue the current amortization of the Energy Efficiency deferred account balance.

If the Commission grants this application, typical residential customers using 80 decatherms per year will not see a change in their monthly bills.

In support of this application, Questar Gas states:

1. Questar Gas' Operations. Questar Gas, a Utah corporation, is a public utility engaged in the distribution of natural gas primarily to customers in the states of Utah and Wyoming. Its Utah public utility activities are regulated by the Commission, and the Company's rates, charges, and general conditions for natural gas service in Utah are set forth in the Questar Gas Company Utah Natural Gas Tariff PSCU 400 (Tariff). Copies of the Company's Articles of Incorporation are on file with the Commission. In addition, the Company serves customers in the Preston, Idaho area. Under the terms of agreement between the Commission and the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, the rates for these Idaho customers are determined by the Utah Commission. Volumes for these customers have been included in the Utah volumes.

2. Energy Efficiency Order. In the order dated October 5, 2006, approving the Settlement Stipulation in Docket No. 05-057-T01 (2006 Order), the Commission authorized Questar Gas to establish a deferred expense account, Account 182.4 of the Uniform System of Accounts, in which to record the costs associated with

the approved Energy Efficiency programs and market transformation initiative (2006 Order at ¶ 15). This filing is made under §2.09 of the Tariff, which sets forth procedures for recovering the deferred Energy Efficiency related expenses by means of periodic adjustments to rates and amortizations of this account. The Tariff requires that at least annually, the Company will file with the Commission an application to amortize the balance in Account 182.4. This application complies with the §2.09 of the Tariff.

3. Amortization of Account No. 182.4 Balance. Attached as Exhibit 1.1 is a summary of the Energy Efficiency deferred expenses accounting entries for the period from October 2014 through September 2015. In the order dated January 16, 2007, in Docket 05-057-T01 (2007 Order) approving the Energy Efficiency programs, the Commission required that “Questar shall keep detailed records of all DSM expenditures and shall track them by each separate DSM program or marketing initiative, and by expenditure type. Summary statements prepared from these records shall be presented to the Commission as part of the Account 182.4 approval process” (2007 Order at ¶ 9). Attached as Exhibit 1.2 is a summary of the deferred Energy Efficiency related expenditures by Energy Efficiency program (page 1) and by Energy Efficiency expenditure type (page 2) since October 2014. The Energy Efficiency balance, as of the end of September 2015, is \$2,738,234 (Exhibit 1.1, column F, line 13). The data filed in Docket No. 15-057-16 (Utah Energy Efficiency Budget Filing) shows a reduction of expenditures in some of the rebate programs. Based on the current balance, projected volumes and the Energy Efficiency budget, the Company believes it can maintain the current amortization rate and collect the required revenue while minimizing interest expense. The Company recommends no adjustment in the amortization at this time. The projected Energy Efficiency balance for the 12 months ended November 2016 is shown in Exhibit 1.3. The Company will monitor the balance during the winter months where usage is higher, and will make any adjustments in a spring filing, if necessary.

If the Commission grants this Application, typical residential customers using 80 decatherms per year will see no change in their yearly bills attributable to the amortization of the Energy Efficiency Deferred Account Balance.

4. Exhibits. Questar Gas submits the following Exhibits in support of its request to amortize the Energy Efficiency balance:

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| Exhibit 1.1 | Energy Efficiency Deferred Expense Account Entries in Account 182.4 |
| Exhibit 1.2 | Energy Efficiency Program Expenditures Report by Energy Efficiency Program and Expenditure Type |
| Exhibit 1.3 | Projected Energy Efficiency Account 182.4 Balance Graph |

WHEREFORE, Questar Gas respectfully requests that the Commission, in accordance with applicable statutes, rules, regulations, Commission Orders, and the Company's Tariff:

1. Enter an order authorizing Questar Gas to continue to utilize the currently-approved amortization rates and charges applicable to its Utah natural gas service territory, as more fully set out in this Application.

DATED this 30th day of October 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

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