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Ms. Colleen Larkin Bell (5253)
Ms. Jenniffer Nelson Clark (7947)
Questar Gas Company
P.O. Box 45433
Salt Lake City, Utah 84145-0433

Re: *In the Matter of the Application of Questar Gas Company to Increase Distribution Rates and Charges and Make Tariff Modifications, Docket No. 16-057-03*

Dear Mmes. Bell and Clark,

The Commission has reviewed Questar Gas Company's ("Questar") Verified Application (Application) filed on July 1, 2016. In his direct testimony, Mr. Austin C. Summers introduces QGC Exhibit 4.16, Questar's 2016 Utah Rate Case Model, where the costs of service are provided for rate design purposes. Mr. Summers states, "The functionalized costs are then loaded into the optimization program, which is where the rates are optimized and designed. This program was written in an open-source platform called 'R'. The code has been annotated and can be provided to interested parties. The Company is also willing to explain the program upon request."¹

In its analysis of Questar's Application, the Commission feels it will benefit from having the annotated code offered by Mr. Summers in his testimony. The Commission requests that Questar file the annotated rate design optimization program code at its earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
Commission Secretary
DW#287379

¹ In the Matter of the Application of Questar Gas Company to Increase Distribution Rates and Charges and Make Tariff Modifications, Docket No. 16-057-03, Exhibit 4.0, Direct Testimony of Austin C. Summers, July 1, 2016, page 21, lines 504-507.