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ACTION REQUEST RESPONSE

To: Public Service Commission

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Date: April 27, 2016

Subject: Action Request Response Update regarding Docket No. 16-057-T04.

In the Matter of the Application of Questar Gas Company to Make Tariff Modifications to Charge Transportation Customers for Use of Supplier-Non-Gas Services

RECOMMENDATION

The Division of Public Utilities (Division) recommends that the Public Service Commission of Utah (Commission) replace the tariff sheets filed by Questar Gas Company (Company) on March 31, 2016 with the attached replacement tariff sheets.

BACKGROUND/ISSUE

On March 31, 2016 the Company filed its request for approval of the tariff sheets with the Commission. That same day the Commission issued its Action Request directing “the Division to provide analysis, evaluation results, and the basis for conclusions and recommendations regarding the following” investigation. On April 4, 2016 the Commission issued its Notice of

Filing and Comment Period with initial comments due on April 18, 2016, and reply comments due April 25, 2016. On April 12, 2016 the Division filed an Action Request Response recommending approval. However, on April 27, 2016, the Company contacted the Division with proposed changes to correct an error in the original tariff filing. This Updated Action Request Response is the result of the Division's discussion with the Company and the creation of replacement tariff sheets.

DISCUSSION

The Division has reviewed the replacement tariff sheets attached to this Action Request Response and believes that they now accurately portray how the transportation supplier gas revenue will be treated in the 191 account and that these comply with the "necessary updates" that the Commission ordered. The original tariff filing submitted by the Company mistakenly subtracted the transportation supplier gas revenues from the gas revenues when they should have been added. The revised Gas Revenues subsection of Tariff section 2.06 has been rewritten so that transportation supplier non gas revenues will be added to the 191 account rather than subtracted. This will give sales customers the benefit of these collected revenues in pass through proceedings as was the intent.

CONCLUSION

The Division recommends that the Commission approve the proposed Tariff sheets attached to this updated Action Request Response.

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