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Re: IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING OF QUESTAR GAS COMPANY'S INTEGRATED
RESOURCE PLAN FOR PLAN YEAR JUNE 1, 2014 TO MAY 31, 2015 – Docket No.
30010-137-GA-14 (Record No. 13881)

LETTER ORDER
(Issued November 25, 2014)

Dear Ms. Clark:

Questar Gas Company (Questar or the Company) filed the above-referenced Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) with the Wyoming Public Service Commission (Commission) on June 11, 2014. During its review of this IRP filing, Commission Staff solicited written public comments by noticing this matter on the Commission's open meeting agendas from August 12, 2014, through November 20, 2014. No comments or protests were received.

At the Commission's duly noticed open meeting of November 20, 2014, Kelly Mendenhall, Director Regulatory Affairs; Austin Summers, Supervisor Regulatory Affairs; Dave Landward, Regulatory Affairs Specialist; William Schwarzenbach, Director Gas Supply; Tina Foust, General Manager Gas Supply; Jeff Bybee, Manager Wyoming Region; Scott Nelson, Gas Production Coordinator; Matt Bartol, Director Engineering-Operations; Glen Watkins, Senior Gas Supply Engineer; Barrie McKay, Vice President Regulatory Affairs, and Jennifer Nelson Clark, Senior Corporate Counsel; participated by telephone on behalf of Questar. Faust provided an overview of the Company's IRP process, noting the key findings of the Company's 2014-2015 IRP were: [i] a design day firm demand of approximately 1.29 million decatherms (Dth); [ii] a Cost of Service natural gas production level of approximately of 72 million Dths; [iii] a portfolio of natural gas purchases of approximately 43.2 million Dth; [iv] maintaining flexibility in purchase decisions pursuant to the Company's planning guidelines, because actual weather and load conditions will vary from assumed conditions in the IRP modeling simulation; [v] no current need for additional price stabilization, but Questar will review the issue on an annual basis to determine whether such measures are appropriate

in the future; [vi] continuing to monitor and manage producer imbalances; and [vii] in Utah and Wyoming, Questar will continue to promote cost-effective energy-efficiency measures.

Commission Rule § 253, states:

Any utility serving in Wyoming required to file an integrated resource plan (IRP) in any jurisdiction, shall file that IRP with the Wyoming Public Service Commission. The Commission may require any utility serving in Wyoming to prepare and file an IRP when the Commission determines it is in the public interest. Commission advisory staff shall review the IRP as directed by the Commission and report its findings to the Commission in open meeting. The review may be conducted in accordance with guidelines set from time to time as conditions warrant.

Consistent with the Commission Rule § 253, the Commission directs that the referenced IRP be placed in the Commission's files with no further action being taken and the above-referenced matter should be closed.

The placement of the IRP in the Commission's files shall not be construed as prior Commission approval of the IRP or any of the representations, forecasts, or conclusions contained therein for any purpose, including, without limitation, ratemaking. Further, the placement of the IRP in the Commission's files shall not be construed as an acknowledgment of the IRP as fulfilling the documentation requirement of Commission Rule § 249(g) which states, in part:

(g) As part of all pass-on filings under this rule, including all balancing account applications under Section 250, the public utility shall provide supporting documentation that the gas, electric or water commodity costs included in the pass on application are the most reasonable option practically available to the public utility for safe, adequate and reliable service to retail customers, including, but not limited to:

(i) Documentation demonstrating the efforts taken by the public utility to serve its customers result in the most reasonable rate available consistent with safe, adequate and reliable service. A public utility may file integrated resource plans or commodity acquisition plans for Commission review and such plans, after acknowledgment by the Commission, shall comply with this requirement.

Should Questar choose to rely on the IRP to meet the documentation requirements of Rule § 249(g), the IRP or relevant portions of it should be attached to any pass-on or commodity balancing account filing, wherein the information will be subject to review by the Commission and any interested parties.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. Pursuant to open meeting action taken on November 20, 2014, Questar Gas Company's 2014-2015 Integrated Resource Plan is hereby placed in the Commission's files. No further action will be taken and this matter is closed.

2. This *Letter Order* is effective immediately.

MADE and ENTERED at Cheyenne, Wyoming, on November 25, 2014.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

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