

DECISION MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: QUESTAR GAS COMPANY'S PETITION TO CLARIFY SERVICE AREA BOUNDARIES, CASE NO. QST-G-15-01

On June 22, 2015, Questar Gas Company petitioned the Commission for an Order clarifying that its certificated service area boundaries include all of Franklin County, Idaho. Questar asks the Commission to process the case by Modified Procedure.

THE PETITION

In its Petition, Questar explains in 1990, its predecessor, Mountain Fuel Supply Company, applied to the Commission for an Order allowing Mountain Fuel Supply to provide “natural gas service to communities in Franklin County, the town of Franklin, the city of Preston, and other communities in the vicinity of the proposed extension where service is determined to be economically feasible.” The Commission ultimately granted Mountain Fuel Company’s request and issued Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 315, which requires Mountain Fuel Company and its successors to provide natural gas service “in the southeast Idaho County of Franklin and the Franklin County cities of Franklin and Preston. . . .” *Id.* at 2, quoting Order No. 23282 at 6, and Certificate No. 315. Mountain Fuel Company and its successor, Questar, have served the cities of Preston and Franklin since that time. Petition at 1-2.

Questar explains that entities in Dayton, another city in Franklin County, have recently approached Questar about providing natural gas service in the Dayton area. Questar believes Certificate No. 315 authorizes it to serve all of Franklin County, including the city of Dayton. However, Questar would like the Commission to clarify that fact. *Id.* at 2-3.

STAFF RECOMMENATION

Staff recommends that the Commission issue a Notice of Petition and Notice of Modified Procedure setting a July 28, 2015 comment deadline, and an August 4, 2015 reply deadline.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to issue a Notice of Petition and Notice of Modified Procedure setting comment and reply deadlines as specified above?

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