

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

John R. O'Brien,

Complainant,

v.

Laclede Gas Company,

Respondent.

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Case No. GC-2005-0365

NOTICE OF COMPLAINT

Legal Department
Laclede Gas Company
720 Olive Street
St. Louis, Missouri 63101
CERTIFIED MAIL

On April 13, 2005, John R. O'Brien filed a complaint with the Missouri Public Service Commission against Laclede Gas Company. A copy of the complaint is enclosed. Under Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.070, Laclede has 30 days from the date of this notice to file an answer or to file notification that the complaint has been satisfied. Since this notice is being issued on April 14, Laclede's response will be due by May 14.

In the alternative, Laclede may file a written request that the complaint be referred to a neutral third-party mediator for voluntary mediation. If the Commission receives a request for mediation, the 30-day time period for filing an answer or notice of satisfaction will be tolled while the Commission determines whether the complainant is also willing to mediate. If the complainant agrees to mediation, the time for Laclede to file an answer or notice of satisfaction will be suspended until the mediation is finished. Additional information regarding the mediation process is enclosed.

If the complainant does not wish to mediate, Laclede will be notified in writing that the tolling has ceased and will also be told when to file its answer or notice of satisfaction. That response will usually be due at the end the remaining portion of the original 30-day period.

All pleadings (the answer, the notice of satisfaction of complaint, or request for mediation) must be mailed to:

Secretary of the Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0360

A copy must be served upon the complainant at the address indicated in the complaint. A copy of this notice has been mailed to the complainant.

BY THE COMMISSION

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 14th day of April, 2005.

Woodruff, Senior Regulatory Law Judge