

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

Staff of the Public Service Commission of Missouri,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	<u>Case No. GC-2006-0318</u>
)	
Laclede Gas Company,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

**ORDER DIRECTING RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COUNSEL'S
MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE**

Issue Date: May 15, 2006

Effective Date: May 15, 2006

On May 11, 2006, the Office of the Public Counsel filed a complaint against Laclede Gas Company. That complaint was assigned Case Number GC-2006-0431. Along with its complaint, Public Counsel filed a motion asking that its new complaint be consolidated with the Staff complaint against Laclede that is pending in this case. Before acting on that motion, the Commission will give the parties to this case an opportunity to state their positions on the proposed consolidation of the two complaints.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Any party wishing to respond to the Office of the Public Counsel's motion to consolidate this case with Case Number GC-2006-0431 shall do so no later than May 22, 2006.

2. This order shall become effective on May 15, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Morris L. Woodruff, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 15th day of May, 2006.