

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Stanley Lewis,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	<u>Case No. GC-2007-0267</u>
)	
Laclede Gas,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE
STAFF REPORT

Issue Date: March 2, 2007

Effective Date: March 2, 2007

Stanley Lewis filed a formal complaint against Laclede Gas Company ("Laclede") on January 16, 2007. On January 17, 2007, the Commission notified Laclede of the complaint and allowed it thirty days in which to answer as provided by 4 CSR 240-2.070(7).

The same day, pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.070(10), the Commission ordered its Staff to commence an investigation of Mr. Lewis' formal complaint and to file a report concerning the results of its investigation no later than two weeks after Laclede filed its answer to the complaint.

Laclede filed its answer on February 20, 2007.¹ On March 2, 2007, Staff filed its Motion for Extension of Time to File Staff Report, which states that Staff does not have an

¹ This was four days (one business day) out of time. However, on February 22, 2007, the Commission granted Laclede's motion for leave to file its answer to Mr. Lewis' complaint out-of-time.

adequate amount of time to file the report before the deadline set in the Commission's order of January 17, 2007, and requests an extension of time until March 13, 2007.

As the Commission noted in its January 17, 2007 Order Directing Staff to Investigate and File a Report, this matter does not involve the interruption or discontinuation of Mr. Lewis' residential gas service or any other time-sensitive issue. Moreover, Staff's motion indicates that neither Mr. Lewis nor counsel for Laclede have any objection to Staff filing its report on March 13, 2007. The Commission finds Staff's request, which is authorized by Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.050(3)(A), to be reasonable under the circumstances and shall grant it.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Staff's Motion for Extension of Time to File Staff Report is granted. Staff shall file a report concerning the results of its investigation of Stanley Lewis' formal complaint against Laclede Gas Company no later than March 13, 2007.
2. This order shall become effective on March 2, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION



Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Benjamin H. Lane, Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority
under Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 2nd day of March, 2007.