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OF

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2	Q.	WOULD YOU PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS
3		ADDRESS?
4	A.	My name is Keri E. Feldman, and my business address is 700 Market Street, St
5		Louis, Missouri 63101.
6	Q.	ARE YOU THE SAME KERI E. FELDMAN WHO PREVIOUSLY FILED
7		DIRECT AND REBUTTAL TESTIMONY IN THIS PROCEEDING?
8	A.	Yes, I submitted direct and rebuttal testimony on behalf of both Laclede Gas
9		Company ("LAC") in Case No. GR-2017-0215 and Missouri Gas Energy ("MGE")
10		in Case No. GR-2017-0216.
11		PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY
12	Q.	WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TRUE UP DIRECT TESTIMONY IN
13		THIS PROCEEDING?
14	A.	The purpose of my testimony is to explain the material adjustments made to test
15		year margin through the update period of September 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2017.
16		LARGE USER ADJUSTMENTS
17	Q.	PLEASE DESCRIBE THE TRUE-UP TO TEST YEAR MARGIN
18		RELATED TO LARGE USER LOAD CHANGES OR RATE SWITCHES.
19	A.	Since the original filing, several large user customers have either switched rate
20		classes, stopped service, or started gas service that required the test year revenues
21		to be trued-up in both operating units. For the LAC operating unit, there have been
22		five large user customers that switched rate classes and one Large Volume customer
23		who stopped service. For MGE, two large user customers changed rate classes,
24		three Large Volume customers stopped service, and two new Large Volume

1		customers started service in early 2017. The details can be found in the workpapers					
2		supplied with this testimony.					
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4		CUSTOMER ANNUALIZATION					
5	Q.	PLEASE DESCRIBE THE CUSTOMER ANNUALIZATION					
6		ADJUSTMENT FOR THE TRUE-UP PERIOD.					
7	A.	The Company's filing included customer annualization projected through					
8		September 30 <sup>th</sup> based on customer changes measured by comparing January 2017					
9		customers to the customer levels at January 2016. Using a winter period to					
10		measure customer growth is appropriate because it avoids seasonal disconnections					
11		and changes due to collection and disconnection activities.					
12	MGE COMMERCIAL BILL CORRECTION						
13	Q.	PLEASE DESCRIBE THE LARGE MGE COMMERCIAL BILL					
14		ADJUSTMENT INCLUDED IN THE TRUE-UP PERIOD.					
15	A.	It was discovered that ten of MGE's large user customers were being underbilled					
16		over a period of less than two years, due to the billing system not recognizing the					
17		6th dial on the meter for the appropriate meter read. This triggered a rebill					
8		adjustment to correctly bill the customers, which then required the test year period					
19		to be adjusted for these specific large user customers. The Company's workpapers					
20		provide supporting documentation of these adjustments by account.					
21	Q.	DOES THAT CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?					
22	A.	Yes, it does.					

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

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AFFIDAVIT						
STATE OF MISSOURI		)				
CITY OF ST. LOUIS		) SS. )				

Keri E. Feldman, of lawful age, being first duly sworn, deposes and states:

- 1. My name is Keri E. Feldman. I am Manager, Operations Accounting for Laclede Gas Company. My business address is 700 Market St., St Louis, Missouri, 63101.
- 2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes is my true-up direct testimony on behalf of Laclede Gas Company and MGE.
- 3. I hereby swear and affirm that my answers contained in the attached testimony to the questions therein propounded are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Keri E Feldman

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 th day of OCTOBER 2017.

Notary Public

MARCIA A. SPANGLER
Notary Public - Notary Seal
STATE OF MISSOURI
St. Louis County
My Commission Expires: Sept. 24, 2018
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