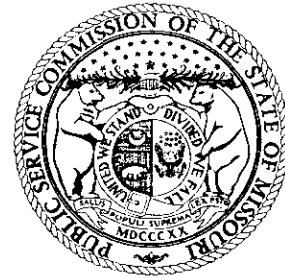


Notice of *Ex Parte* Contact

TO: Data Center
All Parties in Case No. GC-2006-0390

FROM: Chairman Jeff Davis
Commissioner Connie Munnay
Commissioner Steve Gaw
Commissioner Robert Clayton
Commissioner Lin Appling



DATE: October 27, 2006

On October 26, 2006, we received the attached document via electronic email from Kevin Smith regarding Laclede Gas. The Commission is currently considering the issues discussed in this document in Case No. GC-2006-0390, which is a contested case. In contested cases, the Commission is bound by the same *ex parte* rule as a court of law.

Although communications from members of the public and members of the legislature are always welcome, those communications must be made known to all parties to a contested case so that those parties have the opportunity to respond. According to the Commission's rules (4 CSR 240-4.020(8)), when a communication (either oral or written) occurs outside the hearing process, any member of the Commission or Regulatory Law Judge who received the communication shall prepare a written report concerning the communication and submit it to each member of the Commission and the parties to the case. The report shall identify the person(s) who participated in the *ex parte* communication, the circumstances which resulted in the communication, the substance of the communication, and the relationship of the communication to a particular matter at issue before the Commission.

Therefore, we submit this report pursuant to the rules cited above. This will ensure that any party to this case will have notice of the attached information and a full and fair opportunity to respond to the comments contained therein.

cc: Commissioners
Executive Director
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
General Counsel

From: kevin smith [smitty_catfish@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2006 5:08 PM
To: Clayton, Robert
Subject: ARM

dear sir ,, laclede gas sent a temp worker out to repair or replace the ARM on my meter . i refused and ask them to send a skilled union worker to do this for safety reasons.. Then they send mme a letter saying that they tried several times to catch me at home,but syinf i was never there.. i find this odd being disabled i'm here most the time and that they no leave a note telling me so at that time.. Now i get a letter from them saying they will turn my service off and charge me \$54.00 to reconnect.. Their letter stated that i should call them before 10=21-2006,,funny thing is ,it was dated 10-20-2006 ,and post marked 10-23-2006 . All i'm asking is that they send a skilled unin gas worker to do this work for safety reasons ,,, thank you for your time kevin m smith
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