

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

In the Matter of the Verified Application and Petition)	
of Laclede Gas Company to Change Its)	<u>File No. GO-2015-0269</u>
Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge)	Tariff No. YG-2015-0305
in Its Laclede Gas Service Territory)	

**ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE, DIRECTING FILINGS AND SETTING
INTERVENTION DEADLINE**

Issue Date: April 20, 2015

Effective Date: April 20, 2015

On April 17, 2015, Laclede Gas Company (“Laclede”) filed a verified application and petition to change its Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge (“ISRS”) in its Laclede Gas Energy Service Territory, pursuant to Sections 393.1009, 393.1012, and 393.1015,¹ and Commission rules 4 CSR 240-2.060, 2.080, and 3.265. Laclede also filed a *Motion for Expedited Treatment*. Laclede’s verified application is a re-filing of an ISRS application previously filed on January 30, in File No. GO-2015-0178. Laclede dismissed its application in File No. GO-2015-0178 by filing a *Joint Notice of Voluntary Dismissal Without Prejudice* (“Joint Notice”). The Joint Notice was the result of an agreement of the parties in that matter. Laclede requests expedited treatment in this matter based on the parties’ desire to work to implement Laclede’s ISRS filings as soon as reasonably possible, with an anticipated Commission decision occurring by the end of May.

Section 393.1015.1(2) requires that the Commission publish notice of Laclede’s filing. Therefore, the Commission will give notice of this application to the general public and interested persons and set a date for intervention. The Commission’s Data Center shall

¹ All statutory references are to the 2000 Revised Statutes of Missouri, as cumulatively supplemented.

mail a copy of this notice to the county commission, or equivalent governmental body, of all of the counties within Laclede's gas service territory. The Data Center shall also provide a copy of this notice to the parties in Laclede's most recent gas rate case, File No. GR-2013-0171. In addition, the Commission's Public Information Office shall make notice of this order available to the media serving Laclede's service area and to the members of the General Assembly representing Laclede's service area.

Pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.265(8) and (9), Laclede must file sample customer notices for the Commission's approval. The Office of the Public Counsel may file a response to those notices within ten days of their filing.

Section 393.1015.2(2) allows the Commission's Staff to examine Laclede's application to change its ISRS and to submit a report of its examination no later than 60 days after the petition is filed. Laclede states that under the terms of the Joint Notice, the parties agreed that since Staff previously reviewed the ISRS-eligible investments made between September 1, 2014 and February 28, 2015—the timeframe covered by the ISRS application in this matter—Staff should be able to file its recommendation in this matter within two weeks. Since the Joint Notice does not bind Staff to that schedule, the Commission will establish a deadline for Staff to file its recommendation consistent with the statute. Staff is allowed to submit its recommendation prior to the ordered deadline.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Data Center shall serve this order upon the parties to File No. GR-2013-0171, and the Board of Alderman of the City of St. Louis and the County Commissions for the counties of: St. Louis, St. Charles, Crawford, Jefferson, Franklin, Iron, Ste. Genevieve, St. Francois, Madison, and Butler.

2. The Commission's Information Officer shall serve notice as set out in the body of this order.

3. Any entity wishing to intervene in this matter shall file an application to do so no later than April 30, 2015. Such applications shall be filed with the Secretary of the Missouri Public Service Commission or by using the Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System ("EFIS").

4. No later than April 30, 2015, Laclede shall file sample customer notices as required by Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.265.

5. No later than ten days after Laclede files the sample customer notices, as directed in ordered paragraph number 4, the Office of the Public Counsel may file a response to those notices.

6. No later than June 16, 2015, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file its recommendation in this matter.

7. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Kim S. Burton, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 20th day of April, 2015.