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Tariff File Number: ~~GC 2005-0976~~

Company Name: ~~Exacted Gas Company~~

Effective Date: ~~June 10, 2005~~

Purpose of Filing: Modify Tariff to Facilitate Automated Meter Reading (AMR)

Exhibit No. 25

Case No(s) GC-2006-0060

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File,
JG-2005-0976, Laclede Gas Company

FROM: Tom Solt, Energy Department – Tariffs/Rate Design

/s/Warren Wood 05-18-05
Energy Department/Date

/s/ Thomas R. Schwarz, Jr. 5-25-05
General Counsel's Office/Date

SUBJECT: Staff Recommendation on Laclede Gas Company's Filing to Incorporate Tariff
Changes to Facilitate Automated Meter Reading

DATE: May 18, 2005

On May 10, 2005, Laclede Gas Company (Company), of St. Louis, Missouri, filed tariff sheets proposed to become effective June 10, 2005. The tariff sheets filed propose to change the Company's tariff to facilitate the implementation of Automated Meter Reading (AMR). The Company, or its agent, must have access to the customers' premises to install the AMR device on the customers' meters. One of the changes proposed in this tariff filing allows the Company to discontinue service if a customer fails or refuses to permit installation of equipment, but the proposed tariff change does not significantly modify any other terms or conditions of service between the Company and customers.

The Commission's Energy Department Tariffs/Rate Design Staff (Staff) has reviewed this filing and has determined that the proposed language in the filed tariff sheets is acceptable and should be approved. The Staff is not aware of any issue currently pending before the Commission that affects, or is affected by, this filing. However, the following open cases involving this Company are before the Commission at this time:

GC-2005-0249	GE-2005-0405	GO-2003-0506	GO-2004-0195
GO-2005-0351	GO-99-155	GR-2004-0273	GR-2005-0284
GR-2005-0203			

Staff therefore recommends approval of the following tariff sheets, as filed on May 10, 2005, with an effective date of June 10, 2005:

P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated

First Revised Sheet No. R-10-a CANCELLING Original Sheet No. R-10-a

Fifth Revised Sheet No. R-11 CANCELLING Fourth Revised Sheet No. R-11

Appendix A

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Sixth Revised Sheet No. R-14 CANCELLING Fifth Revised Sheet No. R-14
Second Revised Sheet No. R-41 CANCELLING First Revised Sheet No. R-41

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KENNETH J. NEISES
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT
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May 10, 2005

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Secretary of the Commission
Missouri Public Service Commission
Governor Office Building
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Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed herewith for filing with the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") are the following revised tariff sheets which are applicable to both divisions of Laclede Gas Company ("Company"):

P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, First Revised Sheet No. R-10-a
P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, Fifth Revised Sheet No. R-11
P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, Fourth Revised Sheet No. R-12
P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, Sixth Revised Sheet No. R-14
P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, Second Revised Sheet No. R-41

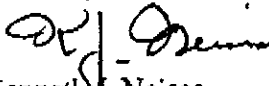
These tariff sheets, which have an issue date of May 10, 2005 and an effective date of June 10, 2005, are being filed in conjunction with the Company's implementation of an Automated Meter Reading ("AMR") system. Contemporaneously with this filing, the Company is also filing a related Verified Application For Variance pertaining to the Company's meter testing procedure.

The Company has contracted with Cellnet Technology, Inc., to install, operate and own the AMR system which employs a wireless network using read devices that will be attached to existing customers' meters. Reads from each meter will be transmitted to local network receivers and transferred to the Company's customer billing system, resulting in the production of a timely, accurate bill. Installation of equipment on customer meters is scheduled to begin in early July 2005 and will take about two years to complete.

May 10, 2005

The Company's proposed tariff changes are necessary to conform the Company's tariff to the various operational changes that will occur as a result of the AMR implementation.

Sincerely,


Kenneth V. Neises

Enclosures

cc: Office of the Public Counsel

P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, First Revised Sheet No. R-10-a
CANCELLING P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, Original Sheet No. R-10-a

Laclede Gas Company
Name of Issuing Corporation or Municipality

For **Refer to Sheet No. R-1**
Community, Town or City

RULES AND REGULATIONS

11. Piping and Equipment (Continued)

Upon written request of the customer, or owner, Company will at its convenience make repairs to, replacements of, or clear obstructions in lines of the customer, or owner, and may charge the customer, or owner, for such labor and material as is necessary to place his lines in good operating condition.

12. Customer's Liability

The customer will be held responsible for breaking seals, tampering or interfering with Company's meter or meters or other equipment of Company installed on the customer's premises, and no one except employees of Company shall be allowed to make any repairs or adjustments to any meter or regulator belonging to Company.

Properly authorized employees and agents of the Company shall have the right to enter the premises of the customer, or owner, at all reasonable hours and at any time in the case of an emergency, for the purpose of making such inspection of the customer's installation as may be necessary for

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CANCELLING P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, Fourth Revised Sheet No. R-11

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

12. Customer's Liability (Continued)

the proper application of Company's rates, rules and regulations; for installing, removing, testing or replacing its apparatus or property; for reading meters and for the removal of Company's property in event of termination for any reason of service to the customer.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall not discontinue service to a customer, pursuant to Paragraph (1)(E) of Rule 14, solely by reason of a refusal of that customer to grant access to the Company when the sole purpose of such access is to discontinue service to another customer. In addition, the Company shall not discontinue or threaten to discontinue service to a non-delinquent customer due solely to the delinquency of another customer.

The Company shall obtain an actual inside meter reading from locations having inside meters on an annual basis. The Company will have a right to disconnect the customer if access is denied to the Company at reasonable times pursuant to Paragraph (1)(E) of Rule 14.

The Company may install on the meter a remote reading attachment, the readings from which shall constitute actual meter readings.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

13. Tampering Prohibited

No person shall willfully destroy, injure, molest, tamper with, or introduce foreign substances into any of Company's mains, services, meters, valves, regulators, or any other equipment of Company, either directly or indirectly through a customer's installation, or otherwise. Neither shall any person willfully create any unsafe condition in or about any of Company's said facilities and equipment, or willfully create any false indicia of any unsafe condition in any thereof.

14. Discontinuance of Service

(1) Service may be discontinued for any of the following reasons:

- (A) Nonpayment of an undisputed delinquent charge;
- (B) Failure to post a required deposit or guarantec;
- (C) Unauthorized interference, diversion or use of the Company service situated or delivered on or about the customer's premises;
- (D) Failure to comply with terms of a settlement agreement;
- (E) Refusal or failure after reasonable notice to permit installation, inspection, maintenance, replacement or meter reading of Company equipment. If the Company has a reasonable belief that health or safety is at risk, notice at the time inspection is attempted is reasonable;
- (F) Misrepresentation of identity in obtaining utility service;
- (G) Violation of any other rules of the Company approved by the commission which adversely affects the safety of the customer or other persons or the integrity of the Company's system; or
- (H) As provided by state or federal law.

(2) None of the following shall constitute sufficient cause for the Company to discontinue services:

- (A) The failure of a customer to pay for merchandise, appliances or services not subject to commission jurisdiction as an integral part of the Company service provided by the Company;

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

16. Company Inspection of Customer Premises.

- A. When gas is being supplied to any customer, and Company receives notice that such customer intends to vacate the premises occupied, Company shall promptly, but in no event later than four days (excluding Sundays and holidays) following such vacation, or if said notice of vacation is received by Company after date of vacation, Company shall promptly, but in no event later than four days (excluding Sundays and holidays) following date of said notice, shut off the gas supply to the premises; provided, however, that Company may continue gas supply to the premises if requested by the succeeding customer. The owner or other person in charge of such premises shall make access to the premises available to Company at all hours between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or at any time in case of emergency, so that such cut-off may be made.
- B. Where service has been discontinued by shutting off the gas supply and service is requested by a new customer, before such service is reestablished, Company shall make an inspection of the premises to determine that they are in a gas safe condition. Such new customer shall make access to the premises available to Company at all hours between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. so that such inspection may be made.

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