BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the General Rate)	
Increase Tariffs for Missouri Gas)	GR-2014-0007
Energy, a Division of Laclede Gas)	
Company)	

APPLICATION FOR ORDER ALLOWING INTERVENTION OF MIDWEST GAS USERS' ASSOCIATION

Comes now MIDWEST GAS USERS' ASSOCIATION ("Midwest") and pursuant to 4 C.S.R. 240-2.075 applies to intervene herein and become a party hereto. In support thereof, Midwest respectfully states:

1. Midwest is an unincorporated non-profit association consisting of and representing its membership of business concerns and corporations that are substantial users of natural gas at their plants situated in such states as Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma. Numerous members have plants and facilities which are located in and consume natural gas within the State of Missouri. A listing of Midwest members and participants is attached as Appendix $A.\frac{1}{2}$

½/Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.075(3), the attached listing includes Midwest members and companies that have at various times and in various matters participated through Midwest in proceedings in Missouri, Kansas and at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The participants in a particular case will vary depending on the nature of the case, the location and service area of the utility involved, and the impacts on and circumstances of a particular member's or participant's operations. Present (continued...)

Midwest's interest in proceedings affecting the 2. rates, terms and conditions of large customer natural gas service has been repeatedly recognized by the Missouri Public Service Commission in permitting Midwest's intervention in proceedings affecting The Gas Service Company, its successors, KPL Gas Service Company, Western Resources and Missouri Gas Energy, Aquila, Inc. (Missouri Public Service Company), Ameren Union Electric and in numerous generic dockets involving the terms and conditions of natural gas transportation and purchased gas adjustment clauses for natural gas companies in the State of Missouri and, most recently, Laclede Gas Company's acquisition of Missouri Gas Energy from Southern Union Corporation. Midwest's interest in proceedings affecting natural gas rates, and the terms and conditions of natural gas service also has been recognized by the Federal Power Commission and its successor the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in granting Midwest's intervention in numerous Natural Gas Act Section 4 and 5 dockets concerning Williams Natural Gas Pipeline Company and its pedecessors (now Southern Star Central), Panhandle Eastern Pipeline Company, Riverside Pipeline and other generic dockets

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participants who have authorized this intervention are EnerSys
Inc., North Kansas City Hospital, Ace ImageWear (formerly AAA
Uniform Service), Independence Power & Light, Gilster Mary-Lee,
and Vance Brothers Asphalt. Other participants' involvement and
authorization is pending and is expected to be drawn from the
attached listing. Midwest will seasonably identify these to the
Commission and to any other parties through a late-filed motion
to intervene.

concerning the terms and conditions of natural gas service, including FERC Orders 436, 500, 451, 528, 636 and 637.

- 3. On or about September 16, 2013 Missouri Gas
 Energy, now a Division of Laclede Gas Company, (MGE) filed
 proposed tariffs reflecting an overall annual revenue increase of
 \$23.384 million or a purported 4 percent for its Missouri service
 area. MGE appears to propose increases to transportation rates
 by over 12 percent. Other changes may have been proposed that
 may affect the economics of natural gas transportation for
 Midwest members and participants.
- 4. As major customers of MGE, Midwest members and participants will be affected by the outcome of this case to a material but as yet undetermined extent.
- 5. Because MGE transports gas for use by Midwest members under separate transportation rate schedules and because of the size and consumption patterns of Midwest's members, Midwest is in the special position of representing interests which will not and cannot be represented adequately by any other party and which interests are direct and immediate and differ from those of the general public. Therefore, it will aid the Commission and protect the public interest that Midwest be permitted to intervene in this proceeding so as to protect interests that no other party is in a position properly to protect and adequately represent.
- 6. For purposes of 4 CSR 240-2.075(2), Midwest has historically opposed discriminatory, non-cost-based pricing of

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natural gas distribution services for all customers. Midwest is unable to make a more specific formulation or statement of the positions it will take in the issues in this case pending further review of MGE's filing, expected discovery and the positions that may be taken by other expected parties to this proceeding.

WHEREFORE, Midwest prays: (a) that Midwest be permitted to intervene herein and be made a party hereto with all rights to have notice of and participate in hearings to present evidence, cross-examine witnesses, file briefs and participate in argument, should any be had; and (b) for all other needful and proper relief.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day served the foregoing pleading by U.S. mail, postage prepaid addressed to all parties by their attorneys of record as disclosed by the pleadings and orders herein.

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Dated: October 18, 2013

APPENDIX A

A D Mohr Farms Fox Run Apartments Ag Processing Inc a coopera-Friskies Petcare Div. of Nestle' Inc. ABB Power T & D Corporation Frito Lay Folger's Coffee Co. Ace ImageWear Alameda Plaza Inc. [Fairmont] Gaines Foods Alameda Towers General Mills Gilster Mary-Lee American Bakeries Co. American Beauty Macaroni Griffin Wheel Archer Daniels Midland Company Guardian Management Inc. Ark City Packing Co. Gulf & Western Mfg. Banquet Foods Corporation Guys Foods Inc. Baptist Medical Center Hallmark Cards Bayer Inc. Hamm Asphalt Inc. Bethany Hospital Harvest Brand Inc. Blueside Company Hercules, Inc. Hills Pet Food Division Bowen Construction Co. Hills Division of Riviana Hospital Linen Service Butler Manufacturing Co. Cargill Inc. Hudson Foods, Inc. Carnation Can Co. Hudson Farms Castlegate Ind. Inc. Hudson Food Protein Certain-Teed Products Inc. ICI Explosives USA, Inc. Chesebrough-Ponds, Inc. J C Nichols Co. Kansas City Terminal Railway Koppers Co. Inc. City of Osborne City of Holton City of Minneapolis Krause Milling Co. City of Independence, Missouri Lafarge Corporation City of Palymyra Lawrence Paper Company City of Ottawa Leggett & Platt Inc. City of Beloit M F A Milling City of Baldwin M K T Railroad City of Ossawatomie City of Sabetha Hoeschst Marion Roussel [Quintiles] City of Horton Maytag Corporation City of Lincoln McNally Pittsburg City of Augusta Medical Center of Independence Coleman Alfalfa Menorah Medical Center Colgate Palmolive Mid America Dairymen Midwest Conveyor Midwest Grain Pro Continental Baking Company Cook Paint & Varnish Midwest Grain Products Corn Products Company Milnot Compay Danisco Cultor, Inc. Mission Clay Products Doanes Products Missouri Steel Castings Empire Cold Storage Missouri Plating Co. National Starch Company National ByProducts North Kansas City Hospital O'Sullivan Industrica Modine Manufacturing Company Enersys, Inc. Fairbanks Morse Pump Fairbanks Morse & Co. Fairmont C. C. Dairy Fasco Products, Inc. Faultless Laundry Owens Corning Fiberglas Ford Motor Co. PCS Nitrogen Co.

Pet Milk Co.

Philadelphia Quartz Co.

Pittsburgh Corning Corporation

Proctor & Gamble Co.

Potash Corporation

Quaker Oats

Ralston Purina Co.

Reichhold Chemical Inc.

Research Hospital and Medical

Center

Reynolds Metals Co.

Rival Manuracturing Co.

Safeway Stores

Santa Fe Railroad

Sealright Mfg. Co.

Sears Roebuck & Co.

Seitz Foods Inc.

Southwest Oil & Grease

Sperry Vickers

St. John's Hospital

St. Joseph Light & Power

St. Joseph's Center

St. Francis Hospital

St. Mary's Hospital, St. Jo-

seph, Missouri

St. Joseph's Hospital

St. Lukes Hospital

Standard Refining

Steffen Dairy

Swift and Company

Swift Ind. Packing Co.

Teva Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Thomas J. Lipton Inc.

Thompson Industries

ThyssenKrupp Stahl Co.

Tower Metal Products

Town of Carrolton

TransWorld Airlines [American

Airlinesl

Trigen - Kansas City District

Trinity Lutheran Hospital

Trumbull Asphalt

U S Gypsum Co.

Vance Brothers Asphalt

W R Grace & Co.

W S Dickey Clay Products Co.

Wells Aluminum Inc.

Winchester Foods Inc.

Wire Rope Corporation of America