

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Staff of the Public Service Commission of Missouri,	)	
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Complainant,	)	
	)	
v.	)	<b><u>Case No. GC-2006-0318, et al.</u></b>
	)	
Laclede Gas Company,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

## **ORDER DIRECTING LACLEDE TO FILE TESTIMONY**

Issue Date: September 6, 2006

Effective Date: September 6, 2006

On August 30, 2006, the Office of the Public Counsel filed a motion asking the Commission to schedule local public hearings in this case during the first week of October, just before the evidentiary hearing set for October 10 and 11. On September 5, Laclede Gas Company filed a pleading opposing the scheduling of local public hearings. Laclede also argued that if local public hearings are scheduled, it should be allowed more time to file its rebuttal testimony so as to respond to whatever testimony might be offered at the local public hearings.


Under the procedural schedule established for this case, Laclede's rebuttal testimony is to be filed today, September 6. The Commission has not yet ruled upon Public Counsel's request for local public hearings and will not do so today. However, until it decides whether to hold local public hearings, the Commission cannot decide whether any other aspects of the procedural schedule will need to be adjusted.

In order to keep this case moving toward the scheduled evidentiary hearing, the Commission will order Laclede to file its rebuttal testimony as scheduled. If the Commission decides to schedule local public hearings before the evidentiary hearing, then it will issue further orders regarding the rest of the procedural schedule, including the filing of supplemental rebuttal testimony if needed.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. Laclede Gas Company shall file its rebuttal testimony as scheduled on September 6, 2006.
2. This order shall become effective on September 6, 2006.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

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Morris L. Woodruff, Deputy Chief Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 6th day of September, 2006.