BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Cloris and Ronald Torrey,)	
	Complainants,)	
V.	·)	File No. GC-2015-0111
)	
Laclede Gas Company,)	
	Respondent.)	

ORDER DIRECTING COMPLAINANTS TO RESPOND TO MOTION TO DISMISS

Issue Date: July 28, 2015 Effective Date: July 28, 2015

The Commission held a prehearing conference on June 1, 2015. On that date Laclede Gas Company and the Staff of the Commission were present. Cloris and Ronald Torrey, Complainants, appeared and presented what is titled: "Affidavit 'Rejection of Invitation to Contract for Discovery'". In that document, among other things, Complainants challenge the subject matter jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Commission and affirmatively states that the Secretary has no subject matter jurisdiction. After handing the "Affidavit" to everyone present, Complainants left the hearing room without making any oral statement. The document was subsequently filed in the docket.

The Commission proceeded to go on the record to receive entries of appearances of those present. While on the record, Laclede informed the Commission that Complainants, who protested Laclede inspecting gas pipes, have terminated service with Laclede. Because Complainants no longer have service, Laclede points out that the need to inspect the pipes is moot. Laclede therefore moves for the dismissal of this complaint.

The Commission directed Complainants to respond to the Laclede's motion. Complainants then filed what is titled "Notice Memorandum of Exhibits Pursuant [to] Rule 3.2 Expedited Litigation." The document is captioned as being filed in U.S. District Court of the Eastern District of Missouri. Although Complainants' filing may have been prompted by the Commission's order, it is effectively nonresponsive. The Commission will afford Complainant another opportunity to respond to Laclede's motion. Again, failure to effectively respond to this Commission order may result in the complaint being dismissed.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- Cloris and Ronald Torrey shall file, no later than August 7, 2015, a response to Laclede Gas Company's motion dismiss this complaint.
 - 2. This order shall be effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Kennard L. Jones, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 28th day of July, 2015.