

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

Office of the Public Counsel,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	<u>File No. GC-2016-0297</u>
)	
Laclede Gas Company and)	
Missouri Gas Energy)	
)	
Respondents.)	

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATIONS TO INTERVENE

Issue Date: June 1, 2016

Effective Date: June 1, 2016

On April 27, 2016¹, the Office of the Public Counsel (“OPC”) filed a complaint with the Missouri Public Service Commission against Laclede Gas Company (“Laclede”) and Missouri Gas Energy (“MGE”). The complaint alleges that Laclede and MGE’s rates are excessive and should be reduced.

The Commission issued notice of the complaint and allowed time for interested parties to apply for intervention. The Commission received timely intervention requests from Midwest Energy Consumers’ Group and The Missouri Division of Energy. Objections to those requests were due May 31. No party objected to those applications to intervene.²

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(4) allows the Commission to grant intervention to a person who has an interest different from that of the general public and which may be adversely affected by a final order arising from the case, or if granting intervention would

¹ Calendar references are to 2016.

² The Commission notes that Respondents object to an untimely application to intervene filed by Consumers Council of Missouri. The Commission will address that application and objection in a separate order.

serve the public interest. Upon review of the unopposed applications, the Commission finds that the applicants meet the standard in Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(3), (10).

Therefore, the Commission will grant those applications to intervene.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The applications to intervene filed by Midwest Energy Consumers' Group and The Missouri Division of Energy are granted.

2. 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

Ronald D. Pridgin, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 1st day of June, 2016.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

**WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission,
at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 1st day of June 2016.**




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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