

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

David Apted,

Complainant,

v.

Laclede Gas Company,

Respondent.

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File No. GC-2017-0348

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: October 5, 2017

Effective Date: October 5, 2017

On June 23, 2017, David Apted (“Complainant”) filed a complaint against Laclede Gas Company (“Laclede”, now known as Spire Missouri, Inc., or “Spire”). Spire answered, stating that it had already performed the relief Complainant requested; thus, Spire asks the Commission to dismiss the complaint. The Staff of the Commission (“Staff”) filed a report that stated that Spire has not violated its tariff or any law or Commission rule.

Complainant then stated other grounds on which he believes the Commission should grant him relief. Both Staff and Spire state that the Commission should order Spire to treat Complainant’s second claim as an amended complaint, and should further order Spire to answer the amended complaint. Staff and Spire also further state that rather than litigating these disputes, the parties would be better served negotiating, and perhaps using a mediator, to resolve their disputes.

The Commission finds Spire's and Staff's responses reasonable, and will order Spire to file an amended answer. The Commission will then solicit further input from the parties on how to proceed.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Spire Missouri, Inc. shall file an amended answer no later than November 6, 2017.
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 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 5th day of October, 2017.

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 5th day of October 2017.




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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