

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's Tariff) **Case No. GR-2005-0284**
to Revise Natural Gas Rate Schedules.) Tariff No. YG-2006-0649

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF SHEETS FILED IN COMPLIANCE
WITH COMMISSION ORDER

Issue Date: March 28, 2006

Effective Date: March 31, 2006

This order approves Laclede Gas Company's tariff sheets filed in compliance with a Commission order.

On February 28, 2006, Laclede Gas Company submitted proposed tariff sheets designed to implement a new high-efficiency-appliance rebate program. The tariff sheets have a proposed effective date of March 31, 2006. Laclede filed substitute sheets on March 9, 2006.

On September 30, 2005, the Commission issued its Order Approving Stipulation and Agreement and Order Approving Tariff. Paragraph 14 of the Stipulation and Agreement provides:

The Parties agree that the funding of the Company's existing low-income weatherization program should be increased, that a new high-efficiency-appliance rebate program should be implemented, and that the Company's existing EnergyWise high-efficiency loan program should be supplemented, consistent with the recommendations set forth in Attachment 5 to this Stipulation and Agreement, which is incorporated herein for all purposes.

Attachment 5 to the Stipulation and Agreement is a document entitled Energy Efficiency and Conservation Programs, which sets forth agreements of the parties regarding:

(1) Laclede's low-income weatherization program; (2) an appliance and HVAC rebate program, including residential, commercial, and rental property rebates and rebate initiative design, implementation, and monitoring; and (4) eligibility expansion for the EnergyWise program.

On March 16, 2006, the Commission's Staff filed its recommendation. Staff states that the purpose of the rebate program is to encourage more efficient use of natural gas by encouraging customers to make energy-efficient improvements. To do this, the company will offer economic incentives (rebates) for installation of high-efficiency natural gas equipment with the Energy Star® (ES) rating. Staff states that implementation of the rebate program satisfies the requirements found in paragraph 14 of the Stipulation and Agreement, and that Laclede's tariff sheets comport with the Stipulation and Agreement. Staff recommends approval of the tariff sheets.

Upon review of this case, including Laclede's tariff and Staff's recommendation, the Commission finds that the tariff filing implements provisions of the Stipulation and Agreement approved on September 30, 2005. The Commission will therefore approve the tariff sheets.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Laclede Gas Company's tariff filing (Tariff No. YG-2006-0649) of February 28, 2006, is approved as substituted on March 9, 2006, for service on and after March 31, 2006. the tariff sheets approved are:

P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated

Original Sheet No. R-47

Original Sheet No. R-48

2. This order shall become effective on March 31, 2006.
3. This case shall close on April 1, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Nancy Dippell, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 28th day of March, 2006.