STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter of)
USW Local 11-6,) GC-2006-0390
and)
Laclede Gas Company)

AFFIDAVIT OF FRED BARAS

STATE OF MISSOURI)		
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COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS)		

Fred Baras, of lawful age and being first duly sworn, deposes and states:

My name is Fred Baras. I am an adult and competent to testify. I reside at **
St. Louis, MO 63123. I have resided at this address for nine years.

2. I have been a Laclede customer for thirty years. I have a meter outside my house.

3. An AMR device was installed on my meter in the early summer of 2006. The installer was a young man wearing plain clothes. To my knowledge, he did not wear any badges or other visible identification.

4. On July 28, 2006, I smelled gas while bending down to pick up a sprinkler near the meter.

5. I called Laclede Gas, and a gasworker was sent out that day.

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7. I am not an employee or member of USW Local 11-6, nor to my knowledge am I related by blood or marriage to any USW Local 11-6 officer or business representative.

I hereby swear and affirm that my statements contained herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to me this 28^{44} day of August, 2006.

My Commission Expires: (130/04/10 Notary Public

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