

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's Verified	)	
Application for Authority to Issue and Sell First	)	
Mortgage Bonds, Unsecured Debt and Preferred	)	<u>Case No. GF-2007-0220</u>
Stock, in Connection with a Universal Shelf	)	
Registration Statement, and to Issue Common Stock	)	
and Receive Capital Contributions, All in a Total	)	
Amount Not to Exceed \$500 Million	)	

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE STATUS REPORT
OUT-OF-TIME

Issue Date: January 25, 2007

Effective Date: January 25, 2007

On December 21, 2006, the Commission issued an order directing its Staff to file, by no later than January 19, 2007, a pleading informing the Commission when Staff will file its recommendation in this matter.

Staff did not file such a pleading until January 24, 2007, when it filed a status report indicating that Staff would file its Memorandum and Recommendation in this matter on or about February 9, 2007. Accompanying this pleading was a motion requesting that the Commission grant Staff leave to file its status report out-of-time. The motion explained that the press of other Commission business prevented Staff from filing its status report any sooner.

The Commission finds Staff's request, as well as its explanation for the relatively minor five-day delay in filing, to be reasonable. Therefore, the Commission will grant Staff's motion for leave to file its status report out-of-time.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Staff's motion for leave to file its status report five days out-of-time is granted.
2. This order shall become effective on January 25, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Benjamin H. Lane, Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
under Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 25th day of January, 2007.