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Prehearing Conference

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LINDA T. NELSON)
AND VERNON BALL,) File No. GC-2011-0394
)
Complainants,)
vs.)
)
LACLEDE GAS COMPANY,)
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Respondent.)

KENNARD L. JONES, Presiding
SENIOR REGULATORY LAW JUDGE

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 JUDGE JONES: Okay. We are going to go
3 ahead and go on the record, take entries of
4 appearances and then go off the record -- or I should
5 say -- yeah, go off the record. So let's go on with
6 this. This is Case No. GC20110394, Linda T. Nelson
7 and Vernon Ball, complainants, versus Laclede Gas
8 Company, respondent. My name is Kennard Jones, I am
9 the regulatory law judge assigned to this matter. At
10 this time we will take entries of appearances
11 beginning with Laclede.

12 MR. ZUCKER: Rick Zucker, Z-U-C-K-E-R, here
13 on behalf of Laclede Gas Company, 720 Olive Street,
14 St. Louis, Missouri 63101.

15 JUDGE JONES: And Staff of the Commission?

16 MS. MCCLOWRY: This is Meghan McCLOWRY, the
17 Staff of the Public Service Commission. My business
18 address is P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri
19 65102.

20 JUDGE JONES: I will note for the record
21 that Linda T. Nelson nor Vernon Ball is here this
22 morning and OPC, Office of Public Counsel, has not
23 been participating so I did assume they would not be
24 here. I will also state on the record that earlier in
25 the week Staff of the Commission filed a motion to

1 continue this prehearing conference because of some
2 conflicts with the staff. Because the prehearing
3 conference was so soon after that motion, I called
4 complainant to first find out if he was aware of the
5 prehearing conference and if so, if he objected to
6 continuing the hearing from this morning. And because
7 of the nature of our phone call and his impatience and
8 well, anger for lack of a better word, I wasn't even
9 able to ask those two questions. It turns out he has
10 been just sending mail back that he has received from
11 the Commission. I don't think he intends on
12 participating in the process any further from this
13 point. So does anyone have anything else they would
14 like to state on the record?

15 MR. ZUCKER: No, your Honor.

16 JUDGE JONES: Meghan, do you have anything
17 else?

18 MS. MCCLOWRY: No, we don't.

19 JUDGE JONES: Thank you. With that, then we
20 will go off the record.

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22 (Prehearing concluded at 10:04 a.m.)

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