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REBUTTAL TESTIMONY

OF

RUSSELL W. TRIPPENSEE



Submitted on Behalf of the Office of the Public Counsel

LACLEDE GAS COMPANY Case No. GM-2001-342

May 17, 2001

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Laclede Gas Company for an Order Authorizing Its Plan to Restructure Itself Into a Holding Company, Regulated Utility Company, and Unregulated Subsidiaries. Case No. GM-2001-342 Case No. GM-2001-342
AFFIDAVIT OF RUSSELL TRIPPENSEE
STATE OF MISSOURI)
COUNTY OF COLE) ss
Russell Trippensee, of lawful age and being first duly sworn, deposes and states:
1. My name is Russell Trippensee. I am Chief Public Utility Accountant for the Office of the Public Counsel.
2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes is my rebuttal testimony consisting of pages 1 through 14 and schedule(s).
3. I hereby swear and affirm that my statements contained in the attached testimony are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Russell Trippensee
Subscribed and sworn to me this 17 th day of May 2001.

Joyce C. Neuner Notary Public, State of Missouri County of Osage My Commission Exp. 06/18/2001

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A. Russell W. Trippensee. I reside at 1020 Satinwood Court, Jefferson City, Missouri 65109, and my business address is P.O. Box 7800, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

Q. BY WHOM ARE YOU EMPLOYED AND IN WHAT CAPACITY?

A. I am the Chief Utility Accountant for the Missouri Office of the Public Counsel (OPC or Public Counsel).

Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND.

A. I attended the University of Missouri at Columbia, from which I received a BSBA degree, major in Accounting, in December 1977. I attended the 1981 NARUC Annual Regulatory Studies Program at Michigan State University.

Q. HAVE YOU PASSED THE UNIFORM CPA EXAM?

A. Yes, I hold certificate number 14255 in the State of Missouri. I have not met the two-year experience requirement necessary to hold a license to practice as a CPA.

Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR WORK EXPERIENCE.

A. From May through August, 1977, I was employed as an Accounting Intern by the Missouri Public Service Commission (MPSC or Commission). In January 1978 I was employed by the MPSC as a

Public Utility Accountant I. I left the MPSC staff in June 1984 as a Public Utility Accountant III and assumed my present position.

Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS.

- A. I served as the chairman of the Accounting and Tax Committee for the National Association of State

 Utility Consumer Advocates from 1990-1992 and am currently a member of the committee. I am a

 member of the Missouri Society of Certified Public Accountants.
- Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR WORK WHILE YOU WERE EMPLOYED BY THE MPSC STAFF.
- A. Under the direction of the Chief Accountant, I supervised and assisted with audits and examinations of the books and records of public utility companies operating within the State of Missouri with regard to proposed rate increases.
- Q. WHAT IS THE NATURE OF YOUR CURRENT DUTIES WITH THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC COUNSEL?
- A. I am responsible for the Accounting and Financial Analysis sections of the Office of the Public Counsel and coordinating their activities with the rest of our office and other parties in rate proceedings. I am also responsible for performing audits and examinations of public utilities and presenting the findings to the MPSC on behalf of the public of the State of Missouri.

Q. HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY FILED TESTIMONY BEFORE THE MPSC?

A. Yes. I filed testimony in the cases listed on Schedule RWT-1 of my testimony on behalf of the Missouri Office of the Public Counsel or MPSC Staff.

Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR REBUTTAL TESTIMONY?

- A. I will address certain concerns regarding Laclede Gas Company's (Laclede or Company) plan to form an exempt holding company. I will also provide the Commission with recommendations to address these concerns to ensure that the proposed restructuring is not detrimental to the public interest. I have reviewed and will be responding the direct testimony of Company witness Gerald T. McNeive, Jr. and Patricia A. Krieger. Finally I will summarize my review of the proposed Cost Allocation Manual (CAM) attached to Ms. Krieger's direct testimony.
- Q. HAVE YOU PARTICIPATED IN THE REVIEW OF CORPORATE

 RESTRUCTURING PROPOSALS BY OTHER INVESTOR OWNED UTILITIES

 SERVING MISSOURI OTHER THAN LACLEDE?
- A. Yes I have. Kansas City Power & Light Company is seeking to reorganize as a registered holding company under the Public Utilities Holding Company Act, Case No. EM-2001-464. Extensive discussions have resulted in a proposed Stipulation And Agreement filed with the Commission on May 1, 2001. The MPSC has not acted on the recommendation as of the date of this testimony.
 - I participated extensively in Case No. EM-96-149 involving the acquisition/merger of Union Electric Company and Central Illinois Public Service Company that resulted in the creation of AmerenUE. I also filed testimony in Case No. EM-97-515 addressing the proposed acquisition/merger of Western Resources, Inc. and Kansas City Power & Light Company which ultimately was not consummated by the corporate entities.

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- HAVE PARTIES **PARTICIPATING** THE TO THIS CASE BEEN IN DISCUSSIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING THE COMMISSION WITH A RESOLUTION OF THIS CASE?
- Yes. To date however, the parties have not been able to reach a unanimous resolution of the issues this case raises.
- LACLEDE'S PROPOSAL, AS STRUCTURED, DETRIMENTAL THE PUBLIC?
- Yes it is. Laclede's proposal exposes Missouri ratepayers to additional risk. I will address the increased risk associated resulting from the reduction in regulatory scrutiny resulting from the proposed corporate structure and accounting guidelines. Public Counsel witnesses Mark Burdette and Ryan Kind will address other aspects of Laclede's proposal that increases risk to Missourians.
- Q. EXPLAIN THE CORPORATE STRUCTURE LACLEDE GAS TODAY AND THIS EXISTS AS RESTRUCTURING IS APPROVED?
- Currently Laclede Gas Company is the regulated local distribution gas company and has several A. subsidiaries, many of which provide unregulated services. In effect the regulated entity is the "parent" company. The restructuring will create a new "parent" called The Laclede Group, Inc. (Laclede Group). Laclede Gas Company will become a subsidiary of Laclede Group and an affiliate of its former subsidiary companies. The two corporate structures can be found graphically in the direct testimony of Company witness McNeive on pages 4 and 5 respectively.

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Q. WILL YOU PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU ASSERT THAT MISSOURIANS WILL BE EXPOSED TO GREATER RISK AS IT RELATES TO THIS LOSS OF AUTHORITY?

The Cost Allocation Manual attached to Company witness Krieger's direct testimony contains several statements which would limit OPC's and the Commission's ability to review the records necessary to perform their statutory obligations. The primary concern is that the CAM would limit access to those books, documents, papers and records of *Laclede Gas Company* (Krieger direct testimony, Schedule 1, page 2, Section IV Accounting Procedures). Laclede Gas Company would only be subsidiary of The Laclede Group, Inc. and an affiliate of multiple other companies owned by Laclede Group.

This limiting language contrasts sharply with the language contained in the Stipulation And Agreement in Case No. EM-2001-464 which addresses access to book, records and personnel in the following manner;

GPE and KCPL agree to make available to the Staff and Public Counsel, at reasonable times and places, all books, records, employees and officers of GPE, KCPL and any affiliate of KCPL as provided under applicable law and Commission rules; provided that KCPL and any affiliate or subsidiary of GPE shall have the right to object to such production of records or personnel on any basis under applicable law and Commission rules, excluding any objection that such records and personnel of affiliates or subsidiaries are not subject to the Commission's jurisdiction and statutory authority or are not in the control, custody or possession of KCPL, including objections based on the operation of PUHCA.

GPE refers to Great Plains Energy which is the holding company (i.e. parent). This clearly sets out that records and employees from all business entities under Great Plains Energy (currently Kansas City Power & Light Company) will be available to Public Counsel, Staff, and the Commission.

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- WHY WOULD A LOSS OF ACCESS TO THE VARIOUS FORMS OF RECORDS OF THE PARENT COMPANY OR AFFILIATES THE LACLEDE BE A DETRIMENT TO MISSOURIANS?
- OPC, Staff, and ultimately the Commission would not be allowed to review the information necessary to ensure just and reasonable rates. This access is necessary in order to ensure that the regulated company is not subsidizing other affiliates, providing affiliates with competitive advantages, providing goods or services, or transferring assets or employees to the detriment of its regulated operations. Laclede's CAM, as worded, would also not be consistent with the Commission's Affiliate Transaction Rule.
- AT THIS TIME IS LACLEDE GAS COMPANY REQUIRED TO ABIDE BY THE Q. AFFILIATE TRANSACTION RULES AS PROMULGATED BY THE COMMISSION?
- No. Laclede has appealed the rules and been granted a stay from compliance with the rules. Based A. on discussions with counsel, it is my understanding that Laclede is not required to comply with the Affiliate Transaction Rules (4 CSR 240-40.015 and 4 CSR 240.40.016) at this time.
- DOES THE Q. THE COMPANY REFERENCE COMMISSION'S AFFILIATE TRANSACTION RULES IN ITS TESTIMONY?
- Yes. Ms. Krieger asserts that the pricing concepts contained in the proposed CAM are consistent A. with the Affiliate Transaction Rules (Kreiger direct, page 5, lines 14 - 22).

- Q. IS MS. KREIGER'S ASSERTION REGARDING CONSISTENT PRICING
 CONCEPTS CORRECT AS TO LACLEDE'S PROPOSED CAM AND THE
 AFFILIATE TRANSACTION RULES?
 - A. No. 4 CSR 240-40.045, section (2)(A)2. of the State Code of Regulations requires that an affiliate of Laclede be charged the greater of fair market price or fully distributed cost to the regulated gas corporation. Since the Affiliate Transaction Rules do not apply to Laclede, there is no provision in the law to require market based pricing for transfers of goods or services from Laclede Gas Company to an affiliated company. Therefore the proposed CAM is not consistent with the rules as Ms. Kreiger asserts.
 - Q. YOU HAVE REVIEWED THE COST ALLOCATION MANUAL ATTACHED TO MS.

 KREIGER'S DIRECT TESTIMONY. DOES THAT DOCUMENT SET OUT THE

 POLICIES AND PROCEDURES NECESSARY TO ENSURE THAT GOODS AND

 SERVICES ARE TRANSFERRED BETWEEN AFFILIATED COMPANIES IN A

 MANNER NOT DETRIMENTAL TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE REGULATED GAS

 COMPANY?
 - A. No, the proposed CAM only outlines general policies. The proposed CAM does not set out specific procedures designed to accomplish these policies.
 - Q. CAN YOU PLEASE PROVIDE OTHER EXAMPLES WHERE THE PROPOSED CAM
 IS NOT FULLY DEVELOPED?
 - A. Yes. Ms Krieger states that;

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Section V contains a fairly exhaustive and specific list of the facilities and services that may be used in such transactions.

(Krieger direct testimony, page 4, lines 15 - 16)

In contrast the recent Stipulation And Agreement in Case No. EM-2001-464 requires;

Narrative description of all products and services offered by GPE and its affiliates (including KCPL). KCPL is not required to provide narrative descriptions of its tariffed products and services.

emphasis added

The following requirement also requires the regulated utility and its parent company to inform the OPC and Staff of future plans or joint efforts;

All new, revised and updated business plans for GPE and its affiliates (including KCPL)

Description of any and all joint marketing/promotional campaigns between KCPL and GPE and any of its affiliates.

Clearly Laclede's proposed CAM attempts to limit the information available to the Commission and other parties to the regulatory process. This limitation does not currently exist because the regulated utility currently controls the records. Knowing what goods and services the affiliate companies produce is necessary in order to facilitate the investigation as to whether cross-subsidization of or preferential treatment is being provided to the affiliates.

The Stipulation And Agreement also requires that any such information provided shall be considered "highly confidential" or "proprietary" as those term are used in 4 CSR 240-2.085.

- Q. YOU HAVE UTILIZED THE TERM CROSS-SUBSIDIZATION. ARE THE GENERAL STATEMENTS IN LACLEDE'S PROPOSED CAM CONSISTENT WITH THE GOAL OF PREVENTING CROSS-SUBSIDIZATION?
- A. No, Laclede's proposed CAM states in section II;

This CAM is designed to ensure that such cost-saving opportunities are accounted for in a manner that, consistent with applicable law and regulation, **reasonably prevents inappropriate** cross-subsidization.

emphasis added by OPC

The phrase "reasonably prevents" is subject to interpretation. Likewise the term "inappropriate cross-subsidization" infers there is appropriate cross-subsidization and thus is also subject to interpretation. Sound regulatory principles recognize the regulated utility should not be allowed to subsidize or provide other advantages to its non-regulated affiliates. Laclede's proposed CAM does not contain this prohibition.

- Q. WHY IS IT APPROPRIATE TO PREVENT CROSS-SUBSIDIZATION BETWEEN
 OF AN UNREGULATED ENTITY, GOOD, OR SERVICE BY A REGULATED
 UTILITY?
 - A regulated utility provides a good or service to ratepayers who have no choice from whom to acquire that good or service. The regulated utility therefore faces no competition in providing that good or service. Therefore its customers must rely on the MPSC to ensure that the rates reflect only the costs necessary to provide that good or service because the utility faces no competitive market that provides that discipline. Allowing cross-subsidization requires ratepayers to fund the non-regulated activities.

The other problem with cross-subsidization of a non-regulated activity by a regulated utility is that it provides the non-regulated firm with a competitive advantage in markets where competitors exist. This competitive advantage (either financial, information, or other goods or services provided) would place the non-regulated entity in a better position to compete than it could obtain absent access to resources provided by captive customers of regulated entity. Such access would not be available to other firms competing with the affiliate of the regulated entity.

- Q. DOES PUBLIC COUNSEL HAVE A RECOMMENDATION REGARDING WHAT

 COMMISSION ACTION SHOULD OCCUR PRIOR TO APPROVING LACLEDE'S

 RESTRUCTURING PLAN.
- A. The Commission should require Laclede Gas Company to submit a fully developed Cost Allocation Manual to its Staff and the Public Counsel for review and ultimately approval by the Commission.

 Only after the approval of a fully developed Cost Allocation Manual, should the Commission consider approval of the proposed restructuring plan.
- Q. WHAT SHOULD A FULLY DEVELOPED COST ALLOCATION MANUAL CONTAIN?
- A. A CAM should not only contain a complete discussion of the goals and policies necessary to obtain those goals, but also provide a detailed set of procedures designed to accomplish the goals and implement the policies. A CAM should provide procedures specific to each account, good, or service that must be accounted for under CAM guidelines. Examples would include how and what direct or indirect labor costs would be charged to an account, good, or service. For indirect labor costs the allocation method would have to be specified. For direct labor charges the type of reporting process would have to be specified. Laclede's CAM talks about these items in general

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terms but does not specify how it would apply to specific accounts, goods, or services. Examples of the accounting records and reports and explanations of how they are developed and who is responsible for their development would also be necessary.

The overall management responsibility of developing, maintaining, and ensuring compliance with the CAM would also need to be set out in the CAM documentation. Additionally, guidelines for employees training and adherence to the CAM procedures would also need to be set out.

A listing of all unregulated service provided by Laclede Gas would have to be set out along with a description how all types of costs are assigned to the service. The CAM should also address how volume discounts on gas purchases would be accounted for.

Q. IS YOUR DISCUSSION OF WHAT A FULLY DEVELOPED CAM SHOULD INCLUDE ALL INCLUSIVE?

No. I have not analyzed the entire corporate structure or the complete listing of all current types of goods and services provided by Laclede Gas Company and its subsidiary's. Neither have I reviewed future planning documents, which assume a restructured Laclede Gas Company. The CAM should address all financial transactions that would be reflected on the regulated utility's financial records or effect or utilize the regulated utilities personnel, assets, or provision of goods and services by a non-regulated affiliate or a non-regulated good or service provided by the regulated utility.

- Q. IS PUBLIC COUNSEL'S PROPOSAL REGARDING THE COST ALLOCATION

 MANUAL DESIGNED TO REDUCE THE RISK TO THE REGULATED CUSTOMERS

 THAT CROSS-SUBSIDIZATION BY THE REGULATED UTILITY MAY OCCUR?
- A. Yes that is a primary factor in this recommendation.
- Q. HAS THE COMMISSION PREVIOUSLY ISSUED DECISIONS THAT RESULTED IN A RISK REDUCTION FOR RATEPAYERS.
- A. Yes in my opinion. A recent example is the St. Louis County Water Company, Case No. WR-2000-844, in which the Commission authorized the utility to segregate depreciation expense recoveries in a depreciation fund sufficient to fund main replacements at the average level proposed by a company witness. This Report and Order addresses the potential risks the customers were facing due to rising costs of water main maintenance expense, potential reliability of service problems, other externality factors resulting from main breaks and St. Louis County Water Company's reluctance to make the investments identified as necessary in their own planning documents.
- Q. DOES PUBLIC COUNSEL HAVE ANOTHER CONCERN RELATED TO THE AVAILABILITY OF RECORDS REGARDING THIS SPECIFIC REQUEST?
- A. Yes. The Commission should require Laclede Gas Company, its successors, and any affiliated companies to maintain records identifying and quantifying all activities and resulting costs associated with the proposed restructuring requested in this proceeding. Such records should be made available to OPC and Staff as necessary in any future rate case following this request for and/or implementation (if approved) of this proposed corporate restructuring in which said activities and costs are relevant.

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- Q. DOES PUBLIC COUNSEL HAVE RECOMMENDATION REGARDING HOW SERVICES ARE PROVIDED TO THE REGULATED UTILITY (LACLEDE GAS) IN A RESTRUCTURED COMPANY AS PROPOSED IN THIS CASE?
- A. Yes. Mr. McNeive's testimony indicates that this restructuring will not result in a transfer of assets and that Laclede Gas will continue to have access to all existing resources that its has today (McNeive direct, page 8, line 21 - page 9, line 7). Public Counsel would recommend that Laclede be required to seek Commission approval prior to the transfer of any assets or functions currently performed by Laclede Gas Company for regulated services provided by Laclede Gas, for unregulated services provided by Laclede Gas, or for subsidiaries/affiliates of Laclede Gas Company as a condition for the approval of its request. While Laclede has not included a "service type company" in its proposed restructured corporate profile, the creation of such a company to provide administrative, payroll, financing, or other general business functions to all subsidiaries of The Laclede Group, Inc. would be consistent with actions of other utilities that have formed holding companies.
- PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY PUBLIC COUNSEL RECOMMENDS APPROVAL PRIOR Q. **FUNCTIONS** OF AFFILIATED SERVICE COMPANY?
 - The assets and functions to be transferred are necessary to provide safe and adequate utility service to Missourians. Removal of these assets or functions from the direct control of the regulated utility could increase the risk of those assets or functions being adequate or available to provide safe and adequate utility service. In fact the proposed CAM and associated Services and Facilities

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Agreement specifically provide that no obligation exists to provide goods or services to another company if the good or service is unavailable. The Commission should have the opportunity to evaluate the situation, facts, risks at the point in time such a transfer is being proposed.

Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR REBUTTAL TESTIMONY?

A. Yes.

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Missouri Power & Light Company, Electric Dept., Case No. ER-82-180

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Missouri Power & Light Company, Gas Dept., Case No. GR-82-181

Missouri Public Service Company, Electric Dept., Case No. ER-81-85

Missouri Water Company, Case No. WR-81-363

Osage Natural Gas Company, Case No. GR-82-127

Missouri Utilities Company, Electric Dept., Case No. ER-82-246

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Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company, Case No. TR-85-23 (OPC)

United Telephone Company, Case No. TR-85-179 (OPC)

Kansas City Power & Light Company, Case No. ER-85-128 (OPC)

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Union Electric Company, Case No. EC-87-115 (OPC)

Union Electric Company, Case No. GR-87-62 (OPC)

St. Joseph Light and Power Company, Case Nos. GR-88-115, HR-88-116 (OPC)

St. Louis County Water Company, Case No. WR-88-5 (OPC)

West Elm Place Corporation, Case No. SO-88-140 (OPC)

United Telephone Long Distance Company, Case No. TA-88-260 (OPC)

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Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Case No. TO-89-56 (OPC)

Capital City Water Company, Case No. WR-90-118 (OPC)

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Missouri Gas Energy, GR-98-140

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United Water Missouri, WA-98-187

Kansas City Power & Light/Western Resources, Inc. EM-97-515

St. Joseph Light & Power Company, HR-99-245

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Missouri American Water Company, SR-2000-282

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UtiliCorp United Inc./Empire District Electric Company, EM-2000-369

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St. Louis County Water Company, WR-2000-844

Union Electric Company, EO-2001-245

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