

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office in  
Jefferson City on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of  
November, 2008.

In the Matter of Laclede Gas ) **Case No. GR-2008-0387**  
Company's 2008 PGA Filing ) **Tariff No. JG-2009-0310**

**ORDER APPROVING INTERIM RATES**

Issue Date: November 14, 2008

Effective Date: November 16, 2008

On October 31, 2008, Laclede Gas Company filed a proposed tariff sheet setting interim rates. This PGA filing reflects changes to Laclede's PGA factors as the result of an estimated change in the cost of natural gas for the upcoming winter season.

The effects of these changes from this filing will reduce the PGA rate filed from \$1.06994 per therm to \$0.83163 per therm. The PGA rate for the 2007-2008 winter season was \$0.85453 per therm. Based on Laclede's average winter usage, a residential customer's bill is expected to be approximately \$18 less than last year, or an approximate 2% decrease.

The Commission's Staff filed its Memorandum and Recommendation on November 10, 2008. In its Memorandum and Recommendation, Staff supports the proposed rate decrease, and states that this case, Case No. GR-2008-0387, was established to track the Company's PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2007-2008 ACA filing. Case No.'s GR-2005-0203, GR-2006-0288, and GR-2008-0140 were established to track the Company's PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2004-2005, 2005-2006, and 2006-2007 ACA filings, respectively. Staff notes that, because Laclede's PGA clause allows for PGA change filings to take affect on ten days' notice, good cause has been shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 2000, to permit the tariff to become

effective on less than 30 days' notice. Staff recommends that the rates be approved on an interim basis, subject to refund status pending final Commission decisions in ACA Case Nos. GR-2005-0203, GR-2006-0288, GR-2008-0140, and GR-2008-0387.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed tariff sheet and Staff's Memorandum and Recommendation. After considering Staff's recommendation, and for good cause shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 2000, the Commission concludes that the proposed tariff sheet should be approved to become effective on November 14, 2008, on an interim basis, subject to refund status pending final Commission decisions in ACA Case Nos. GR-2005-0203, GR-2006-0288, GR-2008-0140, and GR-2008-0387.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The proposed tariff sheet filed on October 31, 2008, by Laclede Gas Company is approved on an interim basis, subject to refund status pending final Commission decisions in ACA Case Nos. GR-2005-0203, GR-2006-0288, GR-2008-0140, and GR-2008-0387. The specific tariff sheet approved is:

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

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**213th Revised Sheet No. 29, Canceling 212th Revised Sheet No. 29**

2. This order shall become effective on November 16, 2008.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

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Colleen M. Dale, Chief Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri  
on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2008.