BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the General Rate Increase Tariffs for Missouri Gas Energy, a Division of Laclede Gas Company.

File No. GR-2014-0007 (Tariff No. YG-2014-0127)

APPLICATION TO INTERVENE BY AARP

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COMES NOW AARP, by and through counsel, pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075, and respectfully applies for intervention as a party in this general rate case initiated by Missouri Gas Energy ("Company" of "MGE"). In support of its application, AARP states as follows:

1. AARP¹ is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that advocates for people who are 50 years of age and older, seeking to promote their independence, choice and control in ways that are beneficial and affordable to them and to society as a whole.

2. Correspondence, communications, orders and the decision in this matter should be addressed to:

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and

¹In 1999, the "American Association of Retired Persons" changed its name to simply "AARP", in recognition of the fact that people do not have to be retired to become members. AARP is a non-profit corporation that has been granted tax exempt status under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code as a social welfare organization.

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3. AARP's interest in this matter relates to the proposed rates, terms and conditions of service for Company's residential gas customers. More specifically, AARP's interest in this matter relates to how these proposals may directly and adversely impact those Missourians aged 50 and over who receive gas service, or who may apply to receive gas service, from Company. This interest is different than the general public interest. People who are aged 50 and over are particularly vulnerable to increases in energy prices. These consumers devote a higher percentage of their total spending than do other age groups towards residential energy costs. Many older consumers also have special needs and safety concerns with regard to their access to energy services.

4. AARP believes that its intervention and participation in this proceeding would serve the public interest, and wishes to become a party to this case for all purposes.

5. AARP is generally opposed to an unjust and unreasonable revenue requirement or to any discriminatory rate design for Company's residential customers. After further investigation, AARP may provide the Commission with a more detailed position on the testimony and proposals that have been submitted in this case.

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WHEREFORE, AARP respectfully requests that the Commission grant its Application to Intervene, entitling it to fully participate in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ John B. Coffman

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Dated: October 18, 2013

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, emailed or handdelivered to all parties on the official service list for this case on this 18th day of October, 2013.

/s/ John B. Coffman