## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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

Case No. GR-2014-0007

## LOCAL PUBLIC HEARING RECOMMENDATIONS

**COMES NOW** the Missouri Office of the Public Counsel and offers the following recommendations for local public hearing dates, times and locations:

1. The Commission's September 17, 2013 Order Suspending Tariff, Directing Notice, Setting Hearings and Directing Filings directs the parties to file recommendations as to the dates and locations for local public hearings no later than November 15, 2013. The Order states that Public Counsel shall be responsible for making the recommendation filing.

2. Subject to availability, Public Counsel proposes the following local public hearing schedule:

Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.	Joplin Public Library 300 S Main St, Joplin, Mo. 64801
Monday, February 24, 2014 at 12:00 p.m.	Kansas City Public Library (Plaza Branch) 14 West 10 <sup>th</sup> St, Kansas City, Mo. 64105
Monday, February 24, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.	Gladstone Community Center 6901 N. Holmes St., Gladstone, Mo. 64118
Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at 12:00 p.m.	East Hills Library 502 N. Woodbine Rd, St. Joseph, Mo. 64506

Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

North Independence Branch (Mid-Continent Public Library) 317 W. 24 Hwy., Independence, Mo. 64050

3. Public Counsel solicited input from all other parties regarding these recommended dates, times and locations. Missouri Gas Energy, the Commission's Staff, AARP, and The Consumer Council of Missouri all stated that they do not object to these recommendations. Public Counsel is not aware of any opposition to these recommendations.

WHEREFORE, the Office of the Public Counsel respectfully requests that the Commission approve these recommendations for local public hearings.

Respectfully submitted,

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC COUNSEL

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, emailed or handdelivered to all counsel of record this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 2013:

## /s/ Marc Poston