

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

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Southern)
Union Company d/b/a Missouri Gas Energy,)
The Laclede Group, Inc., and Laclede Gas)
Company for an Order Authorizing the Sale,)
Transfer, and Assignment of Certain Assets and)
Liabilities from Southern Union Company to)
Laclede Gas Company and, in Connection)
Therewith, Certain other Related Transactions)

File No. GM-2013-0254

**ORDER FURTHER EXTENDING TIME TO FILE
PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

Issue Date: April 22, 2013

Effective Date: April 22, 2013

In a previous order, the Commission directed the parties to file a proposed procedural schedule by March 22, 2013. Subsequently, the Commission extended the date for filing a proposed procedural schedule until April 15, 2013, and allowed the parties to file a status report on that date if they were not ready to file a proposed procedural schedule.

The Applicants, joined by the Commission's Staff, filed a status report on April 16.¹

The April 16 status report indicates the parties continue to discuss resolution of potential issues and ask that the parties be allowed until April 29 to file either a proposed procedural schedule or another status report. Midwest Gas Users' Association, an intervenor in this case, did not join in the status report and filed a separate response on April 17.

Midwest Gas Users' Association does not oppose the request for a short extension of time to file a proposed procedural schedule, but expresses concern that the Commission

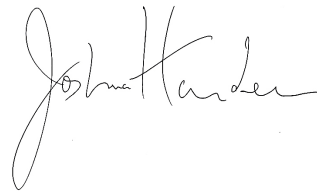
¹ The status report was filed a day late and was accompanied by a motion seeking leave to late-file the status report. The Commission will grant that motion.

not allow the filing of further status reports to substitute for the prompt filing of a procedural schedule to keep this matter moving toward resolution. The Commission shares that concern. Therefore, the Commission will direct the parties to file a proposed procedural schedule by April 29.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule no later than April 29, 2013.
2. The motion of Southern Union Company d/b/a Missouri Gas Energy, the Laclede Group, Inc., Laclede Gas Company, and the Staff of the Commission for a one-day extension of time to file its previous status report on April 16, 2013 is granted.
3. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joshua Harden". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "H".

Joshua Harden
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 22nd day of April, 2013.