

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

Jacqueline Jackson,	)	
	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	
v.	)	Case No. GC-2008-0277
	)	
Laclede Gas Company,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

**JOINT REQUEST FOR FURTHER EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

COME NOW the Staff ("Staff") of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") and Laclede Gas Company ("Laclede"), and for their joint request for additional time to file Staff's Recommendation in this proceeding, respectfully state as follows:

1. In its February 26, 2008 *Order Directing Filing*, the Commission directed the Staff to investigate Ms. Jackson's complaint against Laclede Gas Company ("Laclede") and to file a recommendation on or before April 26, 2008.

2. On April 24, 2008, the Staff, noting that Laclede and Ms. Jackson ("Complainant") had reached a settlement in principle and that additional time would be needed to enable the parties to conclude the agreement, requested additional time to file its recommendation, in the event a recommendation proved necessary. On April 25, the Commission granted the Staff's request for an extension of the filing deadline to May 12, 2008.

3. As of the date of this filing, although considerable progress has been made, the process has not yet been completed. Laclede has informed Ms. Jackson that it would handle

filing and service of a notice of dismissal once that document was signed by Complainant. On May 9, 2008, Complainant stated that she had completed her review of the settlement documents, signed the notice of dismissal and mailed it to Laclede for filing. Laclede has not yet received the signed notice in the mail.

4. Laclede and Staff continue to believe that the process will eventually be brought to a successful conclusion so that this complaint can be dismissed. Accordingly, the Staff and Laclede submit that a Staff recommendation will likely prove unnecessary, and that a further extension of the deadline for filing a Staff recommendation is warranted.

WHEREFORE, in order to conclude the settlement process, the Staff and Laclede respectfully request that the Commission issue an Order extending, until June 2, 2008, the time for filing a Staff recommendation, should such a filing prove necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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