BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Joint Application of Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc., and Laclede Gas Company for an Order Authorizing the Sale and Transfer of Certain Assets of Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc., Located in Missouri to Laclede Gas Company and Either Authorizing the Transfer of Existing Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity or Granting a New Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Laclede Gas Company in Conjunction with Same

Case No. GM-2006-0183

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND ESTABLISHING DATE FOR INTERVENTION

Issue Date: October 25, 2005

Effective Date: October 25, 2005

On October 21, 2005, Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc., and Laclede Gas Company filed a joint application seeking the Commission's authority for Fidelity to sell and transfer to Laclede certain assets of Fidelity located in Missouri. Section 393.190, RSMo 2000, requires that such sales and transfers be submitted to the Missouri Public Service Commission for an order authorizing same.

The Commission finds that notice of this application shall be given to the general public and potentially interested parties. A date for intervention of proper parties shall also be set. The Commission's Data Center shall mail a copy of this notice to the County Commissions of City of St. Louis, St. Louis, St. Charles, Crawford, Jefferson, Iron, Ste. Genevieve, St. Francois, Madison, Butler, Franklin and Jefferson counties. In addition, the

Commission's Public Information Officer shall make notice of this order available to the media serving these counties, and the members of the General Assembly representing them.

The requirement of a hearing has been fulfilled when all those having a desire to be heard are offered an opportunity to be heard. If no proper party is granted intervention and neither the Commission's Staff nor the Office of Public Counsel requests a hearing, the Commission may determine that a hearing is not necessary.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Commission's Data Center is ordered to serve notice as set out

herein.

2. That the Commission's Public Information Office is ordered to serve notice

as set out herein.

3. That any party wishing to intervene in this matter must file an application no

later than November 14, 2005, with:

Colleen M. Dale, Secretary Missouri Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0360

and send copies to:

James M. Fischer Fischer & Dority, P.C. 101 Madison Street, Suite 400 Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Sheldon K. Stock Attorney and Secretary Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc. 10 S. Broadway, #2000 St. Louis, Missouri 63102 Michael C. Pendergast Vice President and Associate General Counsel Laclede Gas Company 720 Olive St., Suite 1520 St. Louis, Missouri 63101

and to:

Office of the Public Counsel P.O. Box 2230 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

4. That this order shall become effective on October 25, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Steven C. Reed, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 25th day of October, 2005.