

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

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's)
Tariff to Revise Natural Gas Rate Schedules) Case No. GR-2005-0284

STATEMENT OF PARTIES

COMES NOW the undersigned parties and state:

In their *Joint Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule*, the parties indicated that they intended to file a stipulation and agreement "on or before August 26, 2005, subject to receipt of comments at the local public hearings." As a result of ongoing negotiations that have not yet been completed, the parties will not be able to file a stipulation by August 26, 2005. The parties will endeavor to make such a filing as soon as possible, but no later than August 31, 2005. If the parties are still unable to complete a stipulation and agreement for filing by that time, the parties will further advise the Commission.

WHEREFORE, the parties submit this statement for the Commission's information.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 26th day of August, 2005.

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