BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's)	Case No. GR-2007-0208
Tariff to Revise Natural Gas Rate Schedules)	

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- 1. On October 28, 2008, Laclede Gas Company (Laclede or Company) filed four (4) tariff sheets to implement the following two energy efficiency programs resulting from the Stipulation and Agreement in this case. These tariffs will be in the Company's tariff under Section 35. *Conservation and Energy Efficiency Programs* and include:
 - A) Residential High Efficiency Rebate Program
 - B) Commercial and Industrial (C/I) Rebate Program
 - C) Program Year
 - D) Program Tracking and Reporting
 - E) Post-implementation Evaluation
- 2. These programs were developed in accordance with provisions of the Commission's July 29, 2007 *Order Approving Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement and Authorizing Tariff Filing* (Order) in this case.
- 3. The tariff sheets apply to all general service residential, commercial, and industrial customers located in all of Laclede's Missouri gas service divisions.
- 4. These programs are pursuant to paragraph 20 of the Stipulation and Agreement referenced in the Commission Order. This provides for the Energy Efficiency Collaborative (EEC), funding of \$150,000 for program development and implementation and up to \$3,500,000 for conservation and energy efficiency programs over three years.
- 5. Because of the magnitude and numerous elements of this program Staff has fully detailed the program elements in its attached Recommendation.

6. The Commission's Energy Department Staff (Staff) has reviewed the filed tariff sheets and recommends approving the following tariff sheets, as filed on October 28, 2008, as substituted November 12, 2008, to go into effect for service on and after November 28, 2008, the requested effective date:

P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated

Second Revised Sheet No. R-45 canceling First Revised Sheet No. R-45 Second Revised Sheet No. R-46 canceling First Revised Sheet No. R-46 Second Revised Sheet No. R-47 canceling First Revised Sheet No. R-47 Second Revised Sheet No. R-48 canceling First Revised Sheet No. R-48

7. Because this filing was made on thirty (30) days or greater notice, no order is necessary to indicate approval.

WHEREFORE Staff recommends approval of these tariff sheets.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to all counsel of record this 19th day of November 2008.

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