

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

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's	)	<b><u>File No. GR-2010-0171</u></b>
Tariff to Increase Its Annual Revenues for	)	Tariff No. YG-2010-0376
Natural Gas Service	)	

## **ORDER GRANTING THE APPLICATION TO INTERVENE OF USW LOCAL 11-6**

Issue Date: January 14, 2010

Effective Date: January 14, 2010

On December 4, 2009, Laclede Gas Company filed a tariff designed to increase its annual revenues for natural gas service. The Commission suspended that tariff and established December 30 as the deadline for interested parties to apply to intervene. USW Local 11-6 applied to intervene on January 11, 2010, and filed a motion requesting leave to file its application out of time along with its application to intervene.

Local 11-6 is a labor organization that represents approximately 850 of Laclede's employees. As the collective bargaining representative of those employees, Local 11-6 claims to have an interest in this proceeding that differs from that of the general public. Local 11-6's motion to file its application to intervene out of time explains that because of the confusion surrounding the holidays, its counsel did not become aware of the December 30 intervention deadline until it had passed.

At the prehearing conference held on January 14, 2010, the presiding officer asked the other parties whether they had any objection to Local 11-6's late-filed application to intervene. No party objected to that application.

The Commission finds that the interest of Local 11-6 in this case is different from that of the general public, and may be adversely affected by a final order arising from this case.

Furthermore, the Commission finds that allowing Local 11-6 to intervene will serve the public interest. In addition, the Commission finds that Local 11-6 has shown good cause to allow it to intervene after the established intervention deadline. Therefore, in accordance with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(4), the Commission will grant the application to intervene.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. USW Local 11-6's Motion to File Application to Intervene Out of Time is granted.
2. The Application to Intervene of USW Local 11-6 is granted.
3. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Steven C. Reed  
Secretary

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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 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2010.