

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

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's)
Filing of Revised Tariffs to Increase its Annual)
Revenues for Natural Gas) **File No. GR-2013-0171**

**STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TARIFF SHEETS
IN COMPLIANCE WITH COMMISSION'S ORDER**

COMES NOW the Staff ("Staff") of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"), by and through counsel, and for its recommendation to approve the revised tariff sheets filed on June 27, 2013, by Laclede Gas Company ("Laclede" or "Company") in this matter respectfully states:

1. The parties in this case filed a *Stipulation and Agreement* ("Agreement") on May 31, 2013, and filed an *Amendment to Stipulation and Agreement* ("Amendment") on June 14, resolving all the issues in this matter. On June 26, the Commission issued its *Order Approving Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement* ("Order"), which treated the Agreement and Amendment as "unanimous" and approved the Agreement as amended. The Commission also ordered Laclede Gas Company ("Laclede" or "Company") to file revised tariff sheets consistent with the amended Agreement.

2. On June 27, Laclede filed revised tariff sheets to comply with the Commission's Order.

3. On June 28, the Commission ordered that any party objecting to the tariff sheets on the basis that the sheets do not comply with the Agreement shall file such objections no later than July 2, 2013.

4. Staff has reviewed the tariff sheets and finds that they comply with the Agreement as amended, and that they comply with the Commission's Order.

5. The tariff sheets bear an effective date of July 8, 2013, which is less than the standard 30-day period, but which complies with the Commission's Order pursuant to § 393.140(11) RSMo.¹

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends the Commission approve the revised tariff sheets filed by Laclede on June 27, 2013, to become effective July 8, 2013:

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Eighteen Revised Sheet No. 2, Cancelling Seventeenth Revised Sheet No. 2
Fourteenth Revised Sheet No. 3, Cancelling Thirteenth Revised Sheet No. 3
Fourth Second Revised Sheet No. 3-a, Cancelling Third Revised Sheet No. 3-a
Fourth Revised Sheet No. 3-b, Cancelling Third Revised Sheet No. 3-b
Seventeenth Revised Sheet No. 4, Cancelling Sixteenth Revised Sheet No. 4
Sixth Revised Sheet No. 4-a, Cancelling Fifth Revised Sheet No. 4-a
Eighteenth Revised Sheet No. 5, Cancelling Seventeenth Revised Sheet No. 5
Seventeenth Revised Sheet No. 7, Cancelling Sixteenth Revised Sheet No. 7
Nineteenth Revised Sheet No. 8, Cancelling Eighteenth Revised Sheet No. 8
Second Revised Sheet No. 8-a, Cancelling First Revised Sheet No. 8-a
Seventeenth Revised Sheet No. 9, Cancelling Sixteenth Revised Sheet No. 9
Twelfth Revised Sheet No. 11, Cancelling Eleventh Revised Sheet No. 11
Twenty-First Revised Sheet No. 12, Cancelling Twentieth Revised Sheet No. 12
Two Hundred and Nineteenth Revised Sheet No. 29, Cancelling Two Hundred and Eighteenth Revised Sheet No. 29
Thirteenth Revised Sheet No. 34, Cancelling Twelfth Revised Sheet No. 34
Eleventh Revised Sheet No. R-2, Cancelling Tenth Revised Sheet No. R-2
First Revised Sheet No. R-39, Cancelling Original Revised Sheet No. R-39
First Revised Sheet No. R-40, Cancelling Original Revised Sheet No. R-40
Third Revised Sheet No. R-44, Cancelling Second Revised Sheet No. R-44
First Revised Sheet No. R-44-a, Cancelling Original Revised Sheet No. R-44-a
Sixth Revised Sheet No. R-45, Cancelling Fifth Revised Sheet No. R-45
Third Revised Sheet No. R-53, Cancelling Second Revised Sheet No. R-53

¹ "Unless the commission otherwise orders, no change shall be made in any rate or charge... except after thirty days' notice to the commission and publication for thirty days."

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing were served electronically to all counsel of record this 2nd day of July, 2013.

/s/ John D. Borgmeyer

MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File,
Case No. GR-2013-0171, File No. YG-2013-0613 Laclede Gas Company

FROM: Joel McNutt, Energy Unit - Tariffs/Rate Design

/s/ Thomas M. Imhoff 7/2/2013 /s/ John D. Borgmeyer 7/2/2013
Energy Department/Date Staff Counsel's Office/Date

SUBJECT: Staff Recommendation to Approve Laclede Gas Company's Tariff Sheets Filed to Comply
with the Commission's June 26, 2013 Report and Order

DATE: July 2, 2013

On June 26, 2013, the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued its *Order Approving Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement* ("Order") resolving the issues in Laclede Gas Company's ("Laclede" or "Company") rate case, Case No. GR-2013-0171. This Order approved a *Stipulation and Agreement*, filed on May 31, and an *Amendment to Stipulation and Agreement*, filed on June 14. The Stipulation and Agreement as amended is now applicable to Laclede Gas Company.

On June 27, 2013, Laclede filed tariff sheets to comply with the Order.

The tariff sheets bear an effective date of July 8, 2013, which is less than the standard 30-day period, but which complies with the Commission's Order.

The Commission's Energy - Tariffs/Rate Design Staff ("Staff") has reviewed each of the tariff sheets filed by Laclede on June 27, 2013, and is of the opinion that these sheets are in compliance with the Commission's Order. Therefore, Staff recommends that the tariff sheets filed June 27, 2013, be approved to become effective on and after July 8, 2013.

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The Staff has verified that Laclede has filed its annual report and is not delinquent on any assessment. Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects or is affected by this filing.

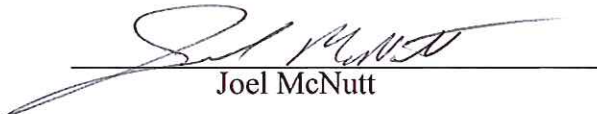
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AFFIDAVIT OF JOEL McNUTT

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss
COUNTY OF COLE)

Joel McNutt, of lawful age, on oath states: that he participated in the preparation of the foregoing Staff Recommendation in memorandum form, to be presented in the above case; that the information in the Staff Recommendation was provided to him; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such Staff Recommendation; and that such matters are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.



Joel McNutt

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of July, 2013.

LAURA BLOCH
Notary Public - Notary Seal
State of Missouri
Commissioned for Cole County
My Commission Expires: June 21, 2015
Commission Number: 11203914



Notary Public