

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

In the Matter of the Verified Application)
of Laclede Gas Company for an Order)
establishing Replacement)
Requirements for the Final Phase of its)
Unprotected Steel Main Replacement)
Program Previously Approved)
Pursuant to Rule 4 CSR 240-)
40.030(15)(E))

Case No. GO-2003-0506

STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its Status Report respectfully states:

1. On March 5, 2004, the Commission issued its *Report and Order* in the above-captioned case, approving the application filed by Laclede Gas Company (Laclede) and modifying the replacement program as follows:

For unprotected steel mains that meet the criteria in Commission Rule 4 CSR 240 40.030(15)(E)3. through (15)(E)6., Laclede Gas Company shall replace such mains at an average annual rate of 10,000 feet until all remaining mains identified by this section have been replaced.

2. Further, the Staff of the Commission was directed to file annual status reports regarding progress with regard to the unprotected steel main replacement program. The first Status Report was filed on April 12, 2004, and Staff has filed eleven previous annual reports to date that have been accepted by the Commission.

3. On April 2, 2014, the Staff filed its eleventh Status Report reporting that during Fiscal Year 2013, Laclede eliminated 9,675 feet of unprotected steel main that met the criteria of paragraphs 4 CSR 240-40.030(15)(E)3 through (15)(E)6. This

resulted in an annual average elimination rate of 10,518 feet for Fiscal Years 2003 through 2013, which exceeded the required annual average rate of 10,000 feet.

4. On April 3, 2014, the Commission issued its *Order Regarding Status Report and Directing Filing* directing the Staff to file its next annual Status Report by May 1, 2015.

5. Laclede had 8,506 feet of unprotected steel main remaining at the end of Fiscal Year 2013. Laclede has notified Staff that the 8,506 feet of unprotected steel main has been eliminated and the unprotected steel main replacement program established in this case has been completed.

6. Because the program is completed, the Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order to close this case.

WHEREFORE, Staff submits this *Status Report* as directed by the Commission Order of April 3, 2014, and Staff recommends the Commission issue an order closing this file.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ John D. Borgmeyer

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 16th day of April, 2015.

/s/ John D. Borgmeyer

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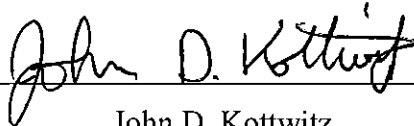
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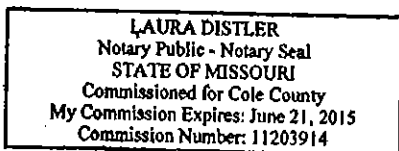
**STATE OF MISSOURI)
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John D. Kottwitz, Utility Engineering Specialist III and of lawful age, on oath states: that he participated in the preparation of the foregoing *Staff Status Report* that is being filed in the above case; that information in the *Staff Status Report* was provided to him by Laclede Gas Company; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such pleading; and that such matters are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.



John D. Kottwitz

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15 day of April, 2015.





Notary Public