BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's) Verified Application for Authority to Issue and Sell) First Mortgage Bonds, Unsecured Debt and Preferred Stock,) in Connection with a Universal Shelf Registration Statement,) to Issue Common Stock and Receive Capital Contributions,) to issue or accept Private Placement Securities, and) to Enter Into Capital Leases, all in a Total Amount) Not to Exceed \$600 Million)

File No. GF-2009-0450

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: July 2, 2009

Effective Date: July 2, 2009

On June 30, 2009, Laclede Gas Company filed the above-styled application.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. This Commission's Staff shall file a recommendation as to the application no

later than July 31, 2009.

2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 2nd day of July 2009.

Jordan, Regulatory Law Judge