

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

In the Matter of the Verified Application and)	
Petition of Laclede Gas Company to Change its)	<u>File No. GO-2012-0145</u>
Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge)	Tariff File No. YG-2012-0209

**STAFF RESPONSE TO ORDER
DIRECTING RESPONSE TO LACLEDE FILING**

1. On January 5, 2012, Laclede Gas Company (Laclede or Company) of St. Louis, Missouri filed a *Response to Staff Recommendation and Motion for Expedited Treatment* (Motion) with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) stating that it “accepts” Staff’s Recommendation.

2. On January 5, 2012, in a separate submission, Laclede filed a “compliance” tariff sheet reflecting Staff’s rates and included a cover letter with that filing.

3. Also on January 5, 2012, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Filing*, directing Staff to respond to Laclede no later than January 6, 2012.

4. The Staff has reviewed Laclede’s tariff sheet. Staff’s analysis indicates that the tariff sheet filed by Laclede on January 5, 2012 complies with the Staff’s January 4, 2012 recommendation.

5. Staff does not oppose Laclede’s request for an expedited effective date of January 13, 2012.

6. The Staff has verified that the Company has filed its 2010 annual report and is not delinquent on any assessment. The Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects or is affected by this filing.

7. Therefore, Staff recommends that the following tariff sheet, as filed on January 5, 2012 be allowed to go into effect on January 13, 2012, as requested by Laclede.

P.S.C. MO. No. 5

Eighteenth Revised Sheet No. 12, CANCELLING Seventeenth Revised Sheet No. 12

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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 6th day of January 2012.

/s/ Lera L. Shemwell