

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

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Southern )  
Union Company d/b/a Missouri Gas Energy, )  
The Laclede Group, Inc., and Laclede Gas )  
Company for an Order Authorizing the Sale, )  
Transfer, and Assignment of Certain Assets and )  
Liabilities from Southern Union Company to )  
Laclede Gas Company and, in Connection )  
Therewith, Certain other Related Transactions )

**File No. GM-2013-0254**

**ORDER SUSPENDING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE AND CANCELING  
HEARING**

Issue Date: June 28, 2013

Effective Date: June 28, 2013

On June 27, 2013, Southern Union Company d/b/a Missouri Gas Energy, the Laclede Group, Inc., and Laclede Gas Company filed a joint motion asking the Commission to suspend the procedural schedule for this case. The motion explains the parties have reached an agreement in principle that will resolve all outstanding matters in this case. The movants represent that a stipulation and agreement will be filed by July 2.

The procedural schedule would require the parties to file rebuttal testimony by June 28, and would require several other filings before the evidentiary hearing would begin on July 10. The movants ask that the procedural schedule be suspended while the Commission considers the stipulation and agreement, and represent that no party objects to suspension of the procedural schedule.

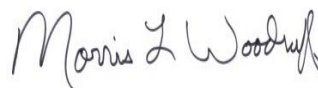
Since the parties have reached an agreement in principle and expect to file a stipulation and agreement, there is no need to require the parties to comply with the remainder of the existing procedural schedule. Therefore, the Commission will suspend the remainder of the procedural schedule. If the proposed settlement among the parties is not finalized or if the stipulation and agreement is not accepted by the Commission, a new procedural schedule may

be established. So that the reserved hearing dates can be cleared from the Commission's calendar, the hearings will be canceled. Again, if necessary, the hearings will be rescheduled for a later date.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The previously adopted procedural schedule is indefinitely suspended pending the Commission's consideration of the stipulation and agreement to be filed by the parties.
2. The hearings scheduled for July 10, July 15, July 16, and July 17 are cancelled.
3. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

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 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.