

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,) **File No. GF-2009-0450**
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)

ORDER ALLOWING STATUS REPORT IN LIEU OF RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: July 7, 2009

Effective Date: July 7, 2009

The Missouri Public Service Commission is granting the request of the Commission's staff ("Staff") to file a status report in lieu of a recommendation on July 31, 2009 ("request").

On June 30, 2009, Laclede Gas Company filed the above-styled application ("application"). On July 2, 2009, the Commission ordered Staff to file a recommendation as to the application no later than July 31, 2009. On July 7, 2009, Staff filed a Response to Order Directing Filing, which included Staff's request.

Staff's request states that a recommendation will require a review of responses to data requests, which Staff has begun issuing, but more of which may be necessary. In lieu of a recommendation on July 31, 2009, Staff asks to file a status report stating when its recommendation will be ready for filing. The Commission will grant Staff's request.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The request of the Commission's staff to file a status report in lieu of a recommendation on July 31, 2009, is granted.
2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 7th day of July 2009.

Jordan, Regulatory Law Judge