

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

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| In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's Tariff Revision |) | |
| Designed to Clarify Its Liability for Damages Occurring |) | <u>Case No. GT-2009-0056</u> |
| on Customer Piping and Equipment. |) | Tariff No. JG-2009-0145 |

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: February 20, 2009

Effective Date: February 20, 2009

On August 22, 2008, Laclede Gas Company filed tariff revisions (assigned Tariff No. JG-2009-0145) designed to clarify its liability for damages occurring on customer piping and equipment beyond the Company's meter. The revisions carried an effective date of December 22, 2008, which Laclede subsequently extended to March 22, 2009.

A prehearing conference was held on December 16, 2008. On December 31, 2008, the Staff of the Commission filed a status report stating that following the on-the-record portion of the prehearing, the parties explored issues relating to Laclede's proposed tariff and agreed to gather and distribute more information prior to the next meeting. On January 30, 2009, Laclede, on behalf of the parties, filed a further status report which indicated that the parties are still working on gathering relevant information.

The Commission will direct the parties to file another status report. In particular, the Commission wishes to know if Laclede intends to further extend the effective date of its tariff if the parties are unable to reach a resolution of the issues in time for an order to be issued on or before March 11, 2009. Alternatively, the parties may file a proposed procedural schedule.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. No later than March 2, 2009, the parties shall file either a status report as described above or a proposed procedural schedule.
2. This order is effective 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

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Nancy Dippell, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 20th day of February, 2009.