

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

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission,	)	
	)	
Complainant,	)	
v.	)	Case No. GC-2011-0098
	)	
Laclede Gas Company,	)	
Respondent.	)	

**JOINT MOTION TO RESCHEDULE HEARING**

COMES NOW Laclede Gas Company (“Laclede” or “Company”), the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”) and the Office of the Public Counsel (“OPC”) (hereinafter “the Parties”) and for their Joint Motion to Reschedule Hearing state as follows:

1. The evidentiary hearing in this case is currently scheduled for June 9 to 10, 2011. The Parties respectfully request that such hearing be rescheduled to take place on June 22 and 23, 2011.
2. The Parties are requesting that the hearing be rescheduled to allow sufficient time for the Parties to meet and discuss a potential settlement of the matters at issue in this case. The Parties believe that such discussion may be worthwhile now that they have had the benefit of exchanging three rounds of testimony.
3. The Parties recognize that there is still almost two weeks before the currently scheduled hearing is due to commence. However, because of medical care issues relating to a family member of one of the Parties’ counsel, the additional time recommended herein will be necessary to permit both settlement discussions and potential hearing preparation to take place, depending on the outcome of those discussions.

4. Finally, because of witness availability issues, the Parties also recommend that the Order of Witnesses be changed so that Laclede's outside witness, Mr. John Reed, is permitted to testify first on June 22, 2011. All other aspects of the Parties' proposed Order of Witnesses would be maintained.

**WHEREFORE**, for the foregoing reasons, the undersigned Parties respectfully request that the Commission reschedule the evidentiary hearing in this case as recommended herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Certificate of Service**

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing pleading was served on the parties to this case on this 26th day of May, 2011, by hand-delivery, e-mail, fax, or by United States mail, postage prepaid.

**/s/ Rick Zucker**