OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company)
Concerning a Natural Gas Incident at Premio)
Lane in Fenton, Missouri)

Case No. GS-2007-0130

ORDER JOINING AMERENUE AS A PARTY AND ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: February 23, 2007 Effective Date: February 23, 2007

On October 5, 2006 the Missouri Public Service Commission issued an order granting the Staff of the Commission's request to establish a case for the purpose of investigating a gas-safety incident. After investigating the matter, Staff filed a motion on January 31, 2007 to join AmerenUE as a party to this case. AmerenUE has not responded.

On February 2, 2007 Staff filed a Gas Incident Report. The Report includes analyses of AmerenUE's actions that may be relevant to this matter. Staff requests that AmerenUE be directed to file a response to the Report within 30 days of the date of the Report.

Commission rule 4 CSR 240-080(15) requires that responsive pleadings be filed within ten days. More than ten days have expired since Staff filed its motion. To the extent that AmerenUE will be joined as a party, the Commission will grant Staff's request. However, rather than require AmerenUE to file a response within 30 days of the report, the Commission will require AmerenUE to file a response to the report in 30 days from the date of this order.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. AmerenUE is made a party to this matter.
- 2. AmerenUE shall file, no later than March 26, 2007, a response to the Gas Incident Report filed by the Staff of the Commission on February 2, 2007.
 - 3. This order shall become effective on February 23, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Kennard L. Jones, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 23rd day of February, 2007.