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

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's Tariff Revision Designed to Clarify Its Liability for Damages Occurring on Customer Piping and Equipment.

File No. GT-2009-0056 Tariff No. JG-2009-0145

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## **ORDER FURTHER SUSPENDING TARIFF**

Issue Date: January 6, 2010

Effective Date: January 6, 2010

On August 22, 2008, Laclede Gas Company filed tariff revisions designed to clarify its liability for damages occurring on customer piping and equipment beyond the Company's meter. The Office of the Public Counsel filed a motion requesting that the Commission reject the tariff revisions. On July 8, 2009, the Commission suspended the tariff (Tariff File No. JG-2009-0145) from its effective date of July 22, 2009, until December 19, 2009. A hearing was held on October 8, 2009, and briefs were submitted on November 13, 2009. On December 9, 2009, the Commission further suspended the tariff to January 18, 2010.

The Commission has the authority to suspend a tariff for one hundred and twenty days beyond when that tariff would have otherwise become effective.<sup>1</sup> In addition, if the Commission cannot conclude its proceeding it may further suspend the tariff for an additional six months.<sup>2</sup> The Commission cannot conclude this matter and allow for an appropriate rehearing period within the current suspension period. Therefore, the Commission will further suspend the tariff as set out below.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Section 393.150, RSMo 2000.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Laclede Gas Company's tariff, designated Tariff File No. JG-2009-0145,

is suspended until February 17, 2010, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

2. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

## BY THE COMMISSION

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 6th day of January, 2010.