STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION **JEFFERSON CITY** October 30, 2001

CASE NO: GO-2000-394

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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's Experimental) Case No. GO-2000-394 Price Stabilization Fund.

ORDER CLOSING CASE

On October 4, 2001, Laclede Gas Company filed a Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule and Terminate Proceeding. Laclede indicates that it requests that the Commission issue an order terminating this proceeding. Laclede has contacted counsel for both the Staff and Public Counsel and both have stated that they have no objection to terminating the proceeding.

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.116(1) permits an applicant to voluntarily dismiss its application without an order of the Commission at any time before prepared testimony has been filed or oral evidence has been offered. Once evidence has been offered or prepared testimony filed, an applicant may dismiss an application only by leave of the Commission, or by written consent of the adverse parties.

4 CSR 240-2.080(16) provides that parties are allowed not more than ten days in which to respond to any pleading unless otherwise ordered by the Commission. More than ten days have passed since Laclede filed its motion. Both Staff and Public Counsel filed documents indicating that based on Laclede's motion, they would not be filing the scheduled rebuttal testimony in this case. No responses in opposition to Laclede's motion were filed.



The Commission has reviewed Laclede's Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule and Terminate Proceeding, along with the official case file, and finds that Laclede's motion should be granted. Therefore, this case may be closed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule and Terminate Proceeding filed by Laclede Gas Company on October 4, 2001, is granted.
 - 2. That this order shall become effective on November 9, 2001.
 - 3. That this case may be closed on November 10, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION

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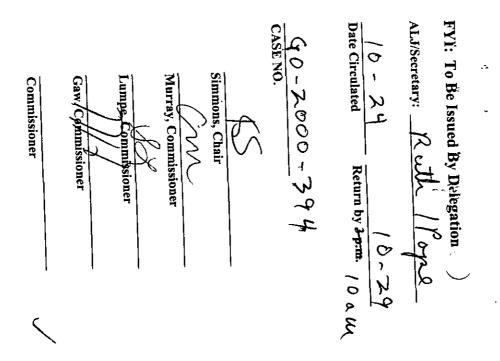
Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Vicky Ruth, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 30th day of October, 2001.



STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,

Missouri, this 30th day of Oct. 2001.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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