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In the Matter of the General)
Rate Increase Tariffs for)Case No. GR-2014-0007
Missouri Gas Energy, a Division)
of Laclede Gas Company)

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 MR. JONES: Let's go ahead and go on the
3 record. This is the early pre-hearing conference
4 for Case No. GR-2014-0007, Missouri Gas Energy's
5 rate increase. My name is Kennard Jones. I'm
6 presiding over the rate case. At this time, I'd
7 like to take entries of appearance, beginning with
8 Laclede.

9 MR. JACOBS: Todd Jacobs and Rick Zucker
10 on behalf of Laclede Gas Company.

11 JUDGE JONES: And Staff of the
12 Commission?

13 MR. BORGMAYER: On behalf of the Staff of
14 the Missouri Public Service Commission, John
15 Borgmeyer and Kevin Thompson.

16 JUDGE JONES: Office of Public Counsel?

17 MR. POSTON: Mark Poston appearing for
18 Office of Public Counsel and the Public.

19 JUDGE JONES: City of Kansas City?

20 MR. COMLEY: Appearing for the City is
21 Mark W. Comley, Newman, Comley & Ruth.

22 JUDGE JONES: And I'll note for the record
23 that Mr. Coffman representing Consumers Council of
24 Missouri and AARP requested not to be here but that
25 he agrees with whatever you all decide procedurally

1 today.

2 Midwest Users -- Midwest Gas Users
3 Association?

4 MR. CONRAD: Your Honor, for Midwest Gas
5 Users, Stu Conrad, Finnegan, Conrad & Peterson.

6 JUDGE JONES: Okay. And there's also a
7 pending application from United States Gypsum to
8 intervene and be a member of Midwest Gas Users
9 Association. Does anyone object to that
10 application?

11 MR. JACOBS: No objections from the
12 company.

13 JUDGE JONES: Seeing no objections, the
14 application is granted, and I'll issue an order
15 memorializing that after the hearing this morning.

16 Let's see. Mr. Conrad, you approached me
17 prior to hearing saying that there was something
18 you needed to take care of.

19 MR. CONRAD: Right. Judge, just a couple
20 housekeeping things. And since you mentioned the
21 very last application to intervene, let me just
22 mention, I'm advised after that was filed that the
23 company has now changed its name to USG
24 Corporation. So with that, that probably stands.

25 In the original application, there were

1 also two very, very minor changes of names. We had
2 listed Independence Power & Light. I'm advised
3 that that is properly City of Independence Power &
4 Light. And Vance Brothers Asphalt is more properly
5 referred to as Vance Brothers, Inc.

6 JUDGE JONES: Okay.

7 MR. CONRAD: That's it.

8 JUDGE JONES: So noted. Let's see. The
9 hearing is scheduled for April 14 through 25 of
10 next year.

11 The proposed procedural schedule is due
12 November 5th. And recommendations for venues use
13 on the local public hearings due November 15th.

14 Do those dates pose any problems for
15 anyone? Okay. All right. I don't have anything
16 else. Is there anything anyone needs to discuss on
17 the record? All right. Well, I'll let you all get
18 to work. Good luck.

19 MR. ZUCKER: Thank you, your Honor.

20 MR. BORGMEYER: Thank you, Judge.

21 (The proceedings were concluded at 10:05 a.m. on
22 October 29, 2013.)

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