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October 31, 2003

#### HAND DELIVERED

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge Missouri Public Service Commission Governor Office Building 200 Madison Street Jefferson City, MO 65101 FILED OCT 3 1 2003

#### Missouri Public Service Commission

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed herewith for filing with the Missouri Public Service Commission is a revised tariff sheet, P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, One Hundred and Ninety-Eighth Revised Sheet No. 29, which is applicable to both divisions of Laclede Gas Company ("Company"). This revised tariff sheet, which has an issue date of October 31, 2003, and an effective date of November 15, 2003, reflects the scheduled November Purchased Gas Adjustment ("PGA") of the Company as provided by Sheet Nos. 15 through 28-g of the Company's tariff. Such revised PGA rates, which will be made effective on a pro-rata basis, include changes for both the Current Purchased Gas Adjustment ("CPGA" and the Actual Cost Adjustment ("ACA") factors for natural gas and subdivision propane customers.

As a result of this filing, the Company's underlying charge for gas for firm sales customers will decrease from \$.65882 per therm to \$.60971 per therm.

The natural gas PGA rates provided herein will reduce the average monthly natural gas bill of the typical residential heating customer during the winter by 5.4%, compared to existing rates. The derivation of the Company's CPGA factors is consistent with the methodology set forth in the Company's tariff and includes the impact of the Company's use of natural gas financial hedging instruments and withdrawals of gas from underground storage facilities.

Included with this filing, in addition to Laclede's Revised Sheet No. 29, is the computation of the revised natural gas Current PGA factors and summary derivations of the new ACA factors for each customer classification

I have enclosed three copies of this filing, one of which is for your convenience in acknowledging your receipt thereof.

Sincerely,

Executive Vice President Energy & Administrative Services

KJN Enclosures cc: Office of the Public Counsel

P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, One Hundred and Ninety-Eighth Revised Sheet No. 29 CANCELLING P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, One Hundred and Ninety-Seventh Revised Sheet No. 29

Laclede Gas Company

Name of Issuing Corporation or Municipality

For

Refer to Sheet No. 1

 $(0.000\phi)$ 

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60.971¢

53.033¢

109.851¢

SCHEDULE OF RATES PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE Adjustment Statement In accordance with the Company's Purchased Gas Adjustment Clause contained in Sheet Nos. 15 through 28-g, inclusive and the Company's Purchased L.P. Gas Adjustment Clause contained on Sheet No. 8, the following adjustments per therm or per gallon, where applicable, will become effective on and after the effective date of this tariff. Current Total Sales Classification <u>PGA</u> <u>ACA</u> UACA Refund Adjustment Residential: Block 1 42.058¢ (0.465c)(0.000c)(0.000¢) 41.593¢ Block 2 77.126¢ (0.465¢) (0.000c)(0.000¢) 76.661¢ Commercial & Industrial Class I - Block 1 (0.465c) $(0.000 \notin)$ (0.000¢) 35.960¢ 36.425¢ Class I - Block 2 75.235¢ 75.700¢ (0.465¢) (0.000c)(0.000¢)Class II - Block 1 46.990¢  $(0.000\phi)$ (0.000¢)46.525¢ (0.465¢)Class II - Block 2 75.700¢ (0.000¢)(0.000¢) 75.235¢ (0.465¢) Class III - Block 1 (0.000c)47.843¢ (0.465¢)  $(0.000 \phi)$ 47.378¢ Class III - Block 2 (0.000¢) 75.700¢ (0.465¢)  $(0.000 \phi)$ 75.235¢ LVTSS 14.190¢ 0.000¢ (0.000¢)\* VF (5.000¢) 0.000¢  $(0.000\phi)$ Other & Unblocked Firm

L.P. Gas

Seasonal & Interruptible

Residential sales are rendered under Residential General Service (Sheet No. 2)

61.436¢

51.825¢

86.869¢

Commercial & Industrial sales are rendered under Commercial & Industrial General Service (Sheet Nos. 3, 3-a and 3-b

(0.465¢)

1.208¢

22.982¢

(0.000¢)

0.000¢

LVTSS sales are rendered under the Large Volume Transportation and Sales Service Rate (Sheet No. 34). VF sales are rendered under the Vehicular Fuel Rate (Sheet No. 11).

Other Firm sales are rendered under the Large Volume Service Rate (Sheet No. 5) and the Unmetered Gas Light Service Rate (Sheet No. 9).

Seasonal and Interruptible sales are rendered under the Residential Seasonal Air Conditioning Service Rate (Sheet No. 4), the Commercial & Industrial Seasonal Service Rate (Sheet No. 4-a) and the Interruptible Service Rate (Sheet No. 7).

L.P. Gas sales are rendered under the General L.P. Gas Service Rate (Sheet No. 8).

\* Revised each month in accordance with Section A.5 of the PGA clause.

#### Additional Transportation Charges, ACA Factors and Refunds

<u>Customer Grou</u> Firm	1 <u>ps 1</u>	<u>OP</u>	Capacity <u>Reservation</u> 5.395¢	Other <u>Non-Commodity</u>	<u>ACA</u> ( .175¢)	<u>Refund</u> 0.000¢
Basic – Firm S Prior to 11/19 Basic - Other		-	•	-	0.000¢ 0.000¢	0.000¢ (0.000¢)
Başic - Other		-			0.000¢	(0.000¢)
DATE OF ISSUE	October 3 Month Day	·····	DA		November 15 Month Day	5, 2003 Year
ISSUED BY	K.J. Neises,	Executiv	e Vice Presid	ent, 720 Olive St.,	St. Louis, M	10 63101
	Name of Officer		Title	,	Address	

Community, Town or City

#### DERIVATION OF ACTUAL COST ADJUSTMENT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2003 FIRM SALES OTHER THAN LVTSS &VF

Deferred Gas Cost Account- Starting Balance	-\$24,321,812
Deferrals: PGA Tracking Differences Prior ACA Period Bill Adjustments	\$15,043,193
Fiscal 2002	-\$50,079 \$0
Propane Peak Shaving Gas Expense Adjustment	-\$11,198 -\$19,673,208
Capacity Release Revenues	-\$13,073,208 \$0 \$0
Carrying Costs Fiscal 2003	\$43,176
Adjustment to prior years	\$114,637
Price Stabilization Balance	-\$1,283,256
Expedited Reconciliation of Price Stabilization Program	\$0
Total	-\$5,816,735
ACA Recovery - Nov. 15, 2002 through Nov.14, 2003	\$24,516,355
UFA Recovery	-\$1,548,237
Deferred Gas Cost Account Ending Balance	-\$7,170,429
Incentive Adjustment Account-	
Starting Balance	\$882,807
Firm Transportation Discounts (Company retention)	\$0
Mix of Pipeline Services (Company retention) Price Stabilization	\$0 \$106,420
Gas Procurement (Company retention)	\$3,452,270
Total	\$3,558,689
Incentive Adjustment Account Recovery	-\$1,094,469
Incentive Adjustment Account-Ending Balance	\$3,347,028
Total ACA Balance	-\$3,823,401
Estimated Firm Sales (therms) - 12 months ended October 2004	822,577,000
Actual Cost Adjustment (Per Therm)	-\$0.00465

# DERIVATION OF ACTUAL COST ADJUSTMENT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2003 VF

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Deferred Gas Cost Account- Starting Balance	\$5,376		
Deferrals: PGA Tracking Differences Prior ACA Period Bill Adjustments	\$272		
Fiscal 2002	-\$32 \$0		
Propane Peak Shaving	-\$28		
Gas Expense Adjustment	-\$10,623		
Capacity Release Revenues Off-System Sales Net Revenues (net of Company retention)	\$0 \$0		
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	\$0		
Total	-\$10,411		
ACA Recovery - Nov. 15, 2002 through Nov.14, 2003	-\$6,087		
Deferred Gas Cost Account Balance	-\$11,122		
Incentive Adjustment Account-			
Starting Balance	\$292		
Firm Transportation Discounts (Company retention)	\$0		
Mix of Pipeline Services (Company retention)	\$0		
Gas Procurement (Company retention)	\$826		
Total Incentive Adjustment Account Recovery	\$826 -\$225		
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Incentive Adjustment Account-Ending Balance	\$893		
Total ACA Balance	-\$10,229		
Estimated VF Sales (therms) - 12 months ended October 2004	200,000		
Actual Cost Adjustment (Per Therm)			

# DERIVATION OF ACTUAL COST ADJUSTMENT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2003 LVTSS

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Deferred Gas Cost Account- Starting Balance	\$1,959,286
Deferrals: PGA Tracking Differences Prior ACA Period Bill Adjustments Fiscal 2002 Propane Peak Shaving Gas Expense Adjustment Capacity Release Revenues Off-System Sales Net Revenues (net of Company retention)	\$4,982 -\$592 \$0 -\$522 -\$194,518 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0
Total	\$0 -\$190,650
ACA Recovery - Nov. 15, 2002 through Nov.14, 2003	-\$696,608
Deferred Gas Cost Account Balance	\$1,072,028
Incentive Adjustment Account- Starting Balance	\$72,855
Firm Transportation Discounts (Company retention) Mix of Pipeline Services (Company retention) Gas Procurement (Company retention) Total Incentive Adjustment Account Recovery	\$0 \$0 \$15,129 \$15,129 -\$24,826
Incentive Adjustment Account-Ending Balance	\$63,158
Total ACA Balance	\$1,135,186
Estimated LVTSS Sales (therms) - 12 months ended October 200	8,000,000
Actual Cost Adjustment (Per Therm)	\$0.14190

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# DERIVATION OF ACTUAL COST ADJUSTMENT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2003 INTERRUPTIBLE SALES

Deferred Gas Cost Account- Starting Balance	-\$291,016
Deferrals: PGA Tracking Differences Prior ACA Period Bill Adjustments	\$32,407
Fiscal 2002	-\$649
Gas Expense Adjustment Carrying Costs	-\$49,867
Fiscal 2003	\$216
Adjustment to prior years	\$5,989 \$0,400
Price Stabilization Balance Expedited Reconciliation of Price Stabilization Program	-\$9,408 \$0
Total	-\$21,311
ACA Recovery - Nov. 15, 2002 through Nov.14, 2003 UFA Recovery	\$348,866 \$0
Deferred Gas Cost Account Balance	\$36,539
Incentive Adjustment Account-	
Starting Balance	\$0
Price Stabilization	\$780
Gas Procurement (Company retention)	\$25,309
Incentive Adjustment Account-Ending Balance	\$26,090
Total ACA Balance	\$62,628
Estimated Interruptible Sales (therms) - 12 months ended October 2004	5,183,000
Actual Cost Adjustment (Per Therm)	\$0.01208

# DERIVATION OF ACTUAL COST ADJUSTMENT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2003 L.P. SALES

	Total
Deferred Gas Cost Account- Starting Balance	-7436
Deferrals	\$23,450
ACA Recovery - Nov. 15, 2002 through Nov.14, 2003	\$11,105
Deferred Gas Cost Account Balance	\$27,119
Estimated L.P. Sales (gallons) - 12 months ended October 2004	118,000
Actual Cost Adjustment (Per Gallon)	\$0.22982

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# DERIVATION OF ACTUAL COST ADJUSTMENT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2003 FIRM TRANSPORTATION

Deferred Gas Cost Account- Starting Balance	\$473,324
Deferrals: PGA Tracking Differences Prior ACA Period Bill Adjustments	-\$83,044
Fiscal 2002	-\$911
Gas Expense Adjustment	\$66,997
Capacity Release Revenues Off-System Sales Net Revenues (net of Company retention)	\$0 \$0
Total	-\$16,958
ACA Recovery - Nov. 15, 2002 through Nov.14, 2003	-\$540,329
Deferred Gas Cost Account Balance	-\$83,963
Incentive Adjustment Account-	
Starting Balance	\$35,630
Firm Transportation Discounts (Company retention)	\$0
Mix of Pipeline Services (Company retention) Gas Procurement (Company retention)	\$0
Total	\$0
Incentive Adjustment Account Recovery	-\$56,179
Incentive Adjustment Account-Ending Balance	-\$20,549
Total ACA Balance	-\$104,512
Estimated Firm Transportation (therms) - 12 months ended Oc	59,779,000
Actual Cost Adjustment (Per Therm)	-\$0.00175

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#### LACLEDE GAS COMPANY COMPUTATION OF CURRENT PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT FACTORS EFFECTIVE NOV 15, 2003

							GAS COST FIRM-	PER THERM
GAS COST COMPONENT				ANNUALIZED <u>COST</u>	VOLUMES (THERMS)		OTHER THAN	SEASONAL & INTERRUPTIBLE
GAS SUPPLY DEMAND				\$23,162,641	842,766,046		\$0.02748	\$0.00000
CAPACITY RESERVATION				\$61,868,041	917,430,841	Avg cost \$0.06744		\$0.00000
COMMODITY RELATED CHARGES COMMODITY GRI SURCHARGE ANNUAL CHARGE ADJUSTMENT S/T FIXED TAKE-OR-PAY RELATED CHARGES		1MBtu	Standard Deliveries To Laclede 87,382,092 MMBtu	\$441,260,341	851,443,420		0.51825	0.51825
S/T	0 \$0	x	12	\$0	1,041,611,868		0.00000	0.00000
OTHER NON-COMMODITY-RELATED COS	rs			\$0	851,443,420		0.00000	0.00000
TOTAL				\$526,291,023			\$0.61436	\$0.51825

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Avg capacity reservation charge per therm	\$0.06744
Firm transportation factor per Sheet No. 16	80%
Firm transportation capacity reservation charge per therm	\$0.05395
Annual firm transportation volumes	74,664,795
Capacity reservation charges allocated to firm transportation	\$4,028,166
Total capacity reservation charges	\$61,868,041
Capacity reservation charges allocated to firm sales	\$57,839,875
Annual firm sales volumes	842,766,046
Firm sales capacity reservation charge per therm	\$0.06863

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