

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

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

**MISSOURI DIVISION OF ENERGY**  
**APPLICATION TO INTERVENE**

COMES NOW the Missouri Department of Economic Development – Division of Energy<sup>1</sup> (Division of Energy) and, pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075, respectfully requests that the Commission issue its order granting the Division of Energy’s Application to Intervene. In support of its Application, the Division of Energy states as follows:

1. On September 16, 2013, Missouri Gas Energy, a division of Laclede Gas Company, submitted to the Missouri Public Service Commission revised tariff sheets to implement a general rate increase. On September 17, 2013 the Commission issued an Order Suspending Tariff, Directing Notice, Setting Hearings and Directing Filings. In its September 17, 2013 Order, the Commission established an intervention deadline of no later than October 18, 2013 and scheduled an early prehearing conference on October 29, 2013.

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<sup>1</sup> The Division of Energy was transferred from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to the Department of Economic Development (DED) on August 29, 2013 by Executive Order 13-03. The Executive Order transfers “[A]ll authority, powers, duties, functions, records, personnel, property, contracts, budgets, matters pending, and other pertinent vestiges of the Division of Energy from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources to the Missouri Department of Economic Development...”

2. The Division of Energy is a state agency vested with the powers and duties set forth in § 640.150 RSMo.

3. The Division of Energy has an interest different than that of the general public, and its intervention will serve a public interest in that the Division of Energy will be looking at the proposed filing from a formal policy and planning perspective. The Division of Energy's review also will relate to the mandate set forth in § 640.150 RSMo, which includes planning for energy resource development; analyzing energy management issues; consulting and cooperating with all state and federal governmental agencies on matters of energy research and development, management, conservation and distribution; assessing the potential impacts on environmental quality; and analyzing the potential for increased use of energy alternatives and making recommendations for the expanded use of such alternate energy sources and technologies.

4. Communications, correspondence, orders and decision in this matter should be addressed to:

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5. The Division of Energy is uncertain at this time of the position it will take regarding the relief sought by Missouri Gas Energy in this case.

WHEREFORE, the Division of Energy respectfully requests that it be allowed to intervene in the above-styled matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been served electronically on all counsel of record this 17th day of October.

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