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**Missouri Public
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RE: Case No. GT-2003-0032

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed herewith for filing with the Missouri Public Service Commission are the following revised tariff sheets, which are applicable to both divisions of Laclede Gas Company ("Company"):

P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated
Sixth Revised Sheet No. 1-a
First Revised Sheet No. 41
First Revised Sheet No. 42
First Revised Sheet No. 43
First Revised Sheet No. 45

These tariff sheets are being filed in conjunction with the accompanying *Motion For Expedited Treatment*.

The purpose of Sheet Nos. 42, 43 and 45, which have an issue date of July 25, 2003, and an effective date of August 28, 2003, is to implement the agreement reached among the parties in the instant case regarding the Company's release of certain transportation capacity in connection with Experimental School Aggregation Service ("ESAS").

Sheet Nos. 1-a and 41, which have the same issue and effective dates, have been revised for housekeeping reasons. Sheet No. 1-a has been revised to incorporate ESAS in the table of contents. Sheet No. 41 has been revised to clarify that beginning with the Aggregation Year commencing November 1, 2003 ESAS applies not only to eligible public school districts but to all eligible school entities as defined in Section 393.310 of the RSMo.

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

Sincerely,

RLS by R. Lawrence Sherwin

MTC
Enclosures

cc: Office of the Public Counsel

P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, Sixth Revised Sheet No. 1-a
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**P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, First Revised Sheet No. 41
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EXPERIMENTAL SCHOOL AGGREGATION SERVICE

A. Overview:

Pursuant to Section 393.310 of the RSMo, the Company shall permit eligible school entities ("ESEs"), as defined in such section, to participate in an experimental program under which the natural gas supply and transportation requirements of participating ESEs are aggregated by a not-for-profit school association ("Association") on behalf of such ESEs. The participating ESEs or their agent shall sell such aggregated supplies to the Company, which, in turn, will deliver gas to such ESEs at the rates and charges provided for in the Company's applicable sales service rate schedules.

B. Availability of Service:

This service shall be available to eligible public school districts only during the first year following the initial November 1, 2002 effective date of such service ("First Aggregation Year") and to all ESEs thereafter. By September 1 of each year except for the First Aggregation Year, the Association shall provide the Company with an initial list of each school premise, including the address and the Company account number, where such service is to be provided starting the following November. By November 1 the Association may supplement such list so long as the additional projected aggregation volumes resulting from such supplement do not exceed the original projected volumes by more than 20%. The aggregation service for any customers added between September 1 and November 1 shall commence January 1. For the First Aggregation Year only, the Association shall provide the Company with a list of participating customers anytime after the effective date of the Commission's order approving aggregation service.

C. Supply Planning Obligations:

1. By October 1 each year, except for the First Aggregation Year, the Company shall provide the Association with an initial temperature based equation ("Delivery Schedule") which will be used by the Association to determine the daily amount of natural gas the Association must arrange for delivery into the Company's distribution system to meet the gas supply requirements of the participating schools during the subsequent 12 months ending October 31 period ("Aggregation Year"). Such Delivery Schedule shall consist of the sum of the estimated base load and estimated heating load for all of the participating ESEs as such estimated loads are described in Sheet No. R-40 of the Company's tariff. The Normalization Adjustment Factors described in Sheet No. R-40 are set forth in Section K. (The equation will reflect, among other factors, unaccounted-for-gas, as a percentage of sales, that will be determined annually by the Company. The Company shall notify the Association of such percentage by October 1, which percentage shall consist of a base level of 2.5%, adjusted for the departure of actual unaccounted-for-gas from such base level in the previous Actual Cost Adjustment year.) By December 1 the Company shall provide the Association with a revised

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C. Supply Planning Obligations (Continued):

Delivery Schedule which will be used by the Association to determine the daily amount of natural gas the Association must arrange for delivery into the Company's distribution system to meet the gas supply requirements of the participating schools during the subsequent January 1 through October 31 period. For the First Aggregation Year only, the Company shall provide the Association with a Delivery Schedule within twenty business days of receipt of the list of participating customers, after which aggregation service may commence as early as the first day of the month following the provision of such Delivery Schedule.

2. Once per week during the October 15 through April 30 period, the Company shall provide the Association with the forecasted daily temperature for the one week period beginning the next day. Such forecast is to be used by the Association with the Delivery Schedule to determine the daily delivery requirements for such week. If for any business day during the October 15 through April 30 period the Company or the pipeline issues a critical day flow order or period of curtailment, or the Company determines a system operational need, then by 9:00 a.m. of such day the Company shall provide the Association with the applicable following day's (days') forecasted daily temperature that is to be used by the Association with the Delivery Schedule to determine the applicable following day's (days') delivery requirements. The information under this paragraph shall normally be provided by email.

D. Imbalances:

Any difference between the total volumes sold to all of the participating ESEs and the volumes of gas purchased by the Company from the participating ESEs or their agent, after adjusting for the differences that arise from the Company's revenue cycle billing of customers and the calendar month purchases of gas supplies, shall be accumulated in an imbalance account. Any over-delivery or under-delivery of gas in such imbalance account shall be used to ratably increase or reduce the amount of gas the Association must arrange for daily delivery into the Company's distribution system in the subsequent month.

E. Transportation Capacity:

The Company will release to the participating ESEs or their agent firm transportation capacity on Mississippi River Transmission Corporation ("MRT") at the Company's cost of such capacity in accordance with the capacity release procedures contained in MRT's Federal Energy Regulatory Commission approved tariff. Such capacity shall be released to and taken by the party designated by the Association at MRT's maximum FERC-approved rate on a recallable basis, but will not be recalled by the Company unless requested by the Association and agreed to by the Company, or unless the Association fails to deliver gas supplies in accordance with the Delivery Schedule, adjusted for

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E. Transportation Capacity (Continued):

any imbalance, as set forth in Section H. The amount of capacity released shall equal during the November through March winter months and during the April through October summer months 135% and 60% respectively, of the average daily consumption of participating ESEs in the peak usage month for each such ESE that occurred during the 24 months ending September 30, 2002.

F. Payments By The Customer And The Company:

Each month the Company shall bill each eligible entity for gas metered at each entity's premise at the rates in effect for the sales service rate schedule under which the customer would otherwise receive gas if it were not participating in the program. After the end of each calendar month the participating ESEs or their agent shall invoice the Company for the natural gas purchased and received by the Company from the ESEs or their agent in such calendar month. Such invoice shall be based on the schools' cost of gas including transportation charges and for any other applicable charges necessary to effect delivery of such gas to the Company's city gate. The Company shall remit the amount due to the schools in immediately available funds on or before 10 business days after receipt of the invoice by the Company. At the end of each billing month the Company shall also credit or charge the Association an amount equal to the difference between the total Purchased Gas Adjustment recovery from all of the ESEs (except for the first year of the program during which only Current Purchased Gas Adjustment recovery shall be used) and the sum of the gas cost paid by the Company to the Association for gas delivered to the entities. The gas costs paid shall include the effect of any imbalance volumes and corresponding costs from the previous month, along with a credit for a pro-rata share of the system-wide discount the Company receives from MRT. In addition, the amount credited or charged to the Association shall be adjusted to reflect the Company's retention of a \$.004 per therm aggregation and balancing fee on every therm sold plus any additional charges and Incremental Costs as described in Sections H and J below. The Company's periodic remittance of gross receipts taxes to each municipality for the most recent applicable billing period shall be based on billings made to each customer under the applicable sales service rate schedule as adjusted, as soon thereafter in the Company's next such remittance, for the other credits or charges made pursuant to this paragraph.

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J. Incremental Costs (Continued):

recover the incremental cost of providing the service, to the extent such costs are not otherwise recovered through other provisions of this tariff. Any undercollection shall be recovered over a period of twelve months. Payments for capacity made available by the Company under Section E shall not be considered capacity release revenues, and shall be credited to the Deferred Purchase Gas Cost Account, provided that the Company may seek to recover, through an ACA adjustment, any losses in such revenues that the Company experiences as a result of making such capacity available, and provided further that the Company shall not be required to absorb the cost of any pipeline capacity formerly reserved to satisfy the requirements of the ESEs prior to the onset of the program. By March 1 and June 1 of 2003 and by June 1 of 2004, the Company shall submit to the Commission Staff and the Office of Public Counsel information documenting and categorizing the revenues and costs of the program, in sufficient detail to allow Staff and Public Counsel to audit the program and shall provide a final report with the same detail by August 1, 2005.

K. Normalization Adjustment Factors:

The Normalization Adjustment Factors for each month to be used in the derivation of the Delivery Schedule described in Section C above are as follows:

October	1.2
November	1.3
December	1.6
January	1.8
February	1.7
March	1.6
April	1.3
May	1.2
June	1.1
July	1.0
August	1.0
September	1.1

L. Term of Experiment:

Consistent with Section 393.310 of the RSMo, this service will expire June 30, 2005. At the end of the twelve months ended June 30, 2006 period, any customer who participated in the aggregation program during its final year, shall be subject to a one-time separate charge or credit that is intended to offset the flow-through of any ACA or refund credits or charges that were billed to such customer for sales service rendered by the Company during the twelve months ended June 30, 2006 period.

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