

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

In the Matter of the Cold Weather)	
Maintenance of Service of Laclede Gas)	
Company)	Case No. GT-2007-0141

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) in the above-captioned matter and for its Recommendation respectfully states as follows:

1. On September 29, 2006, Laclede Gas Company (Laclede or Company) of St. Louis, Missouri, filed tariff sheets to incorporate modifications made to the Cold Weather Rule (CWR). The proposed changes to these tariff sheets also implement a tariff describing the amount of payment a customer must make on preexisting arrears in order to have service restored. Laclede's tariff filing is intended to bring the tariff into compliance with the CWR (Rule 4 CSR 240-13.055) changes made in Case No. GX-2006-0434.

2. In the Memorandum attached to this pleading, Staff recommends that the Commission approve Laclede's proposed Tariff.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends that the Commission issue an Order approving Laclede's proposed Tariff Sheets consistent with Staff's attached Memorandum.

Respectfully submitted,

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