

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office in
Jefferson City on the 29th day of
April, 2009.

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's Tariff)
Designed to Permit Early Implementation of)
Cold Weather Rule Provision and to Permit)
Laclede to Collect Bad Debt Through the PGA)

File No. GT-2009-0026

ORDER DENYING APPLICATION FOR REHEARING

Issue Date: April 29, 2009

Effective Date: April 29, 2009

On April 15, 2009, the Commission issued a report and order rejecting Laclede Gas Company's tariff that would have allowed Laclede to recover the portion of its bad debt expense ascribed to gas costs through its Purchased Gas Adjustment clause. By its terms, that report and order became effective on April 25. On April 24, Laclede filed a timely application for rehearing, contending the Commission should rehear its order rejecting Laclede's tariff and instead approve that tariff as part of Laclede's next rate case.

Section 386.500.1, RSMo (2000), indicates the Commission shall grant an application for rehearing if "in its judgment sufficient reason therefore be made to appear." Laclede's application for rehearing merely restates the arguments the Commission rejected in its report and order. The Commission finds no reason to grant rehearing.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Application for Rehearing filed by Laclede Gas Company is denied.

2. This order shall become effective on April 29, 2009.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Clayton, Chm., Murray, Davis, Jarrett,
and Gunn, CC., concur.

Woodruff, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge