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CASE NO: GR-99-315

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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 13th day of April, 2000.

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's Tariff to Revise Natural Gas Rate Schedules. Case No. GR-99-315 Tariff No. 9900539

ORDER DENYING REHEARING

On January 26, 1999, Laclede Gas Company (Laclede) submitted revised tariff sheets reflecting increased rates for gas service provided to customers in its Missouri service area. The Commission suspended the tariff sheets until December 26, 1999.

On December 14, 1999, the Commission issued its Report and Order and on December 21, 1999, the Commission issued an Order of Clarification, clarifying portions of the Report and Order that appeared to be inconsistent. On December 23, 1999, the Commission approved, on an expedited basis, tariff sheets filed in compliance with the Commission's Report and Order.

Laclede requested rehearing on December 23, 1999. On January 6, 2000, Union Electric Company filed suggestions in support of Laclede's application for rehearing.

Rule 4 CSR 240-2.160(3) provides that "[t]he commission shall grant a rehearing or reconsider the order if in its judgment there is sufficient reason to do so." Laclede has raised no issues in its application for rehearing which were not considered in the Commission's Report and

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Order. Therefore, the Commission does not find sufficient reason to rehear or reconsider this case. The application for rehearing and motion for reconsideration are denied.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the Application for Rehearing and Motion for Reconsideration filed by Laclede Gas Company is denied.
 - 2. That this order shall become effective on April 13, 2000.
 - 3. That this case may be closed on April 14, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, Drainer, Murray, and Schemenauer, CC., concur.

Dippell, Senior Regulatory Law Judge

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Murray, Commissioner

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Schemenauer, Vice-Chair

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Agenda Date

Action taken:

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STATE OF MISSOURI OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 13^{th} day of April 2000.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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