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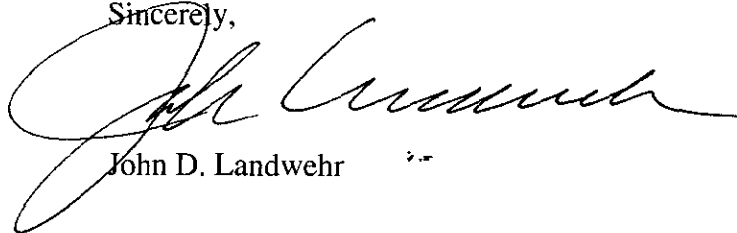
Re: Case No. GR-99-315, Laclede Gas Company

Ladies/Gentlemen:

Enclosed for filing in the above matter please find an original and fourteen copies of MRT Energy Marketing Company's Application to Intervene. Copies have been sent to all parties of record.

If there are any questions about this, please let me know.

Sincerely,



John D. Landwehr

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Enclosures

cc: All parties of record

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Missouri Public
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In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's)
Tariff Sheets Designed to Increase Rates) Case No. GR-99-315
for Gas Service Provided to Customers in)
the Missouri Service Area of the Company.)

APPLICATION TO INTERVENE

Comes now MRT Energy Marketing Company (MEM), by and through its attorney, John D. Landwehr, Cook, Vetter, Doerhoff & Landwehr, P.C., and for its Application to Intervene states:

1. MEM is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware. MEM's principal office is located at 9900 Clayton Road, St. Louis, Missouri. MEM is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Houston Industries, Inc. MEM is a marketer engaged in the marketing of natural gas and power in the service area of Laclede Gas Company.

2. MEM requests that the following persons be added to the official service list for the proceeding:

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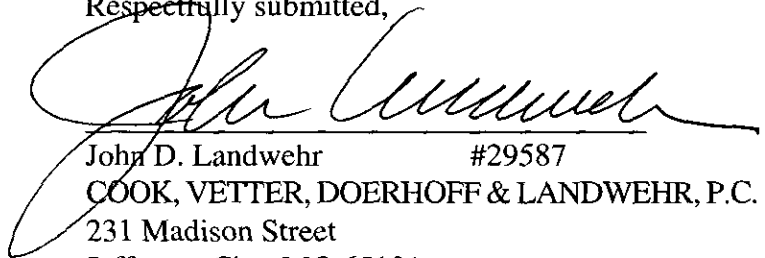
3. MEM is an energy marketing company providing natural gas sales and energy management services to its customers in several states, including Missouri.

4. On January 26, 1999, Laclede Gas Company (Company) submitted to the Commission tariffs reflecting increased rates and other charges for gas service provided to customers in the Missouri service area of the Company. The proposed tariffs bear a requested effective date of February 26, 1999. The proposed tariffs are designed to produce an annual increase of approximately 6.1% (\$30.5 million) in the Company's revenues.

5. MEM's intervention is necessary to protect its interest in the production, sale and transportation of gas to consumers. MEM is a seller of natural gas to customers in Missouri, including end users beyond local distribution companies, and its business interests may be directly affected by the changes proposed by Laclede in the above-referenced proceeding. Consequently, MEM has a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding which is different from that of the general public.

WHEREFORE, MEM requests that its intervention be granted, and that MEM be made a party to this proceeding for all purposes, with all rights permitted by law and the Commission's regulations.

Respectfully submitted,



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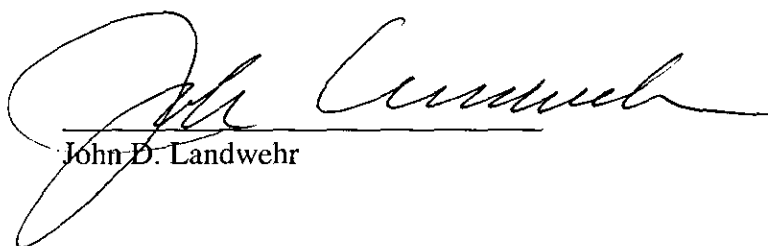
Certificate of Service

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was served upon all interested parties via prepaid United States mail this 18 day of February, 1999, by mailing a true copy thereof to the following:

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