STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY February 1, 2000

CASE NO: GO-99-155

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

Sincerely,

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Adequacy of Laclede Gas)
Company's Service Line Replacement Program and)
Leak Survey Procedures.)

Case No. GO-99-155

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO SUSPEND PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On January 26, 2000, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), Laclede Gas Company (Laclede) and the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel), filed a joint motion to suspend the procedural schedule for two weeks and to postpone the evidentiary hearing presently set for February 17 through 18, 2000. The motion notes that on January 3, 2000, the parties filed a unanimous partial stipulation and agreement, and that the parties have generally reached agreement as to the other contested issues in this case and are in the process of preparing a unanimous stipulation and agreement for Commission approval. The parties state that they expect the stipulation and agreement to resolve all of the matters at issue.

The Commission has reviewed the motion and finds it reasonable. The Commission will approve suspension of the remaining dates in the procedural schedule for two weeks as requested by the parties. The motion also requested that the Commission postpone the hearing, but the parties did not offer suggestions for alternative hearing dates. The Commission finds that the hearing should be rescheduled in order to facilitate the prompt resolution of the case.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

Rebuttal testimony by

2000, is rescheduled for March 14 through 15, 2000.

Staff

- . 1. That the motion to suspend the procedural schedule filed by the parties on January 26, 2000 is granted.
- 2. That the remaining procedural dates are suspended for a period of two weeks. The amended procedural schedule is as follows:

Laclede		3:00 p.m.
Final list of issues	-	February 16, 2000 3:00 p.m.
Surrebuttal testimony by	_	February 21, 2000

Submit parties' positions - February 24, 2000 on the issues 3:00 p.m.

- 3. That the hearing scheduled for February 17 through 18,
- 4. That this order shall become effective on February 1, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

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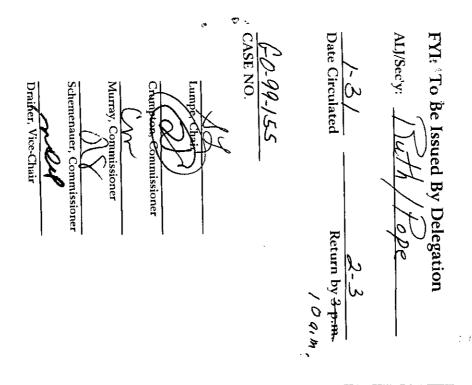
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

February 9, 2000

3:00 p.m.

Vicky Ruth, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.120(1) (November 30, 1995) and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 1st day of February, 2000.



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 1st day of FEBRUARY 2000.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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