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October 29, 2004

#### VIA EFIS

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge Missouri Public Service Commission Governor Office Building 200 Madison Street Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed herewith for filing with the Missouri Public Service Commission is a revised tariff sheet, P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, Two Hundred and Second Revised Sheet No. 29, which is applicable to both divisions of Laclede Gas Company ("Company"). This revised tariff sheet, which has an issue date of October 29, 2004, and an effective date of November 15, 2004, reflects the scheduled November Purchased Gas Adjustment ("PGA") of the Company as provided by Sheet Nos. 15 through 28-g of the Company's tariff. Such revised PGA rates, which will be made effective on a pro-rata basis, include changes for both the Current Purchased Gas Adjustment ("CPGA") and the Actual Cost Adjustment ("ACA") factors for natural gas and subdivision propane customers.

As a result of this filing, the Company's underlying charge for gas for firm sales customers will increase from \$.71623 per therm to \$.82923 per therm primarily due to the sharp increase in wholesale natural gas prices that has occurred since the Company established the PGA factors that became effective in June 2004. However, the Company's use of natural gas financial hedging instruments and withdrawals of gas from underground storage facilities has substantially reduced the impact of these higher prices on the rates paid by the Company's customers.

The natural gas PGA rates provided herein will increase the average monthly natural gas bill of the typical residential heating customer by approximately \$15, assuming normal weather, for the two months of November and December during which the new rates will be in effect. Such rates will remain in effect until the Company's next scheduled PGA change becomes effective during January 2005, at which time the Company's rates may be adjusted downward or upward depending on market conditions at that time.

Included with this filing, in addition to Laclede's Revised Sheet No. 29, are schedules that set forth the derivation of the new ACA factors for each customer classification.

Sincerely,

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Executive Vice President

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Enclosures

cc: Office of the Public Counsel

#### P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, Two Hundred and Second Revised Sheet No. 29 CANCELLING P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, Two Hundred and First Revised Sheet No. 29

Refer to Sheet No. 1 Laclede Gas Company For Community, Town or City Name of Issuing Corporation or Municipality

#### SCHEDULE OF RATES

#### PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE

Adjustment Statement

In accordance with the Company's Purchased Gas Adjustment Clause contained in Sheet Nos. 15 through 28-g, inclusive and the Company's Purchased L.P. Gas Adjustment Clause contained on Sheet No. 8, the following adjustments per therm or per gallon, where applicable, will become effective on and after the effective date of this tariff.

EEE 1111.	Current				Total
Sales Classification	<u>PGA</u>	<u>ACA</u>	<u>UAÇA</u>	<u>Refund</u>	<u>Adjustment</u>
Residential:					
Block 1	61.231¢	2.314¢	(0.000¢)	(0.000¢)	63.545¢
Block 2	96.299¢	2.314¢	(0.000¢)	(0.000¢)	98.613¢
Commercial & Industrial					
Çlaşs I - Block 1	55.598¢	2.314¢	(0.000¢)	(0.000¢)	57.912¢
Class I - Block 2	94.873¢	2.314¢	(0.000¢)	(0.000¢)	97.187¢
Class II - Block 1	66.163¢	2.314¢	(0.000¢)	(0.000¢)	68.477¢
Class II - Block 2	94.873¢	2.314¢	(0.000¢)	(0.000¢)	97.187¢
Class III - Block 1	67.016¢	2.314¢	(0.000¢)	(0.000¢)	69.330¢
Class III - Block 2	94.873¢	2.314¢	(0.000¢)	(0.000¢)	97.187¢
LVTSS	*	14.753¢	0.000¢	(0.000¢)	*
VF	*	5.000¢	0.000¢	(0.000¢)	*
Other & Unblocked Firm	80.609¢	2.314¢	(0.000¢)	(0.000¢)	82.923¢
Seasonal & Interruptible	70.811¢	(0.070¢)	0.000¢	(0.000¢)	70.741¢
L.P. Gas	106.022¢	2.792¢			108.814¢

Residential sales are rendered under Residential General Service (Sheet No. 2)

Commercial & Industrial sales are rendered under Commercial & Industrial General Service (Sheet Nos. 3, 3-a and 3-b)

LVTSS sales are rendered under the Large Volume Transportation and Sales Service Rate (Sheet No. 34).

VF sales are rendered under the Vehicular Fuel Rate (Sheet No. 11).

Other Firm sales are rendered under the Large Volume Service Rate (Sheet No. 5) and the Unmetered Gas Light Service Rate (Sheet No. 9).

Seasonal and Interruptible sales are rendered under the Residential Seasonal Air Conditioning Service Rate (Sheet No. 4), the Commercial & Industrial Seasonal Service Rate (Sheet No. 4-a) and the Interruptible Service Rate (Sheet No. 7).

L.P. Gas sales are rendered under the General L.P. Gas Service Rate (Sheet No. 8).

#### Additional Transportation Charges, ACA Factors and Refunds

<u>Customer Groups</u> Firm	<u>TOP</u>	Capacity <u>Reservation</u> 5.632¢	Other <u>Non-Commodity</u> -	<u>ACA</u> 0.802¢	<u>Refund</u> 0.000¢
Basic – Firm Sales Prior to 11/15/89	-	-	-	0.000¢	0.000¢
Basic - Other	-	-	-	0.000¢	(0.000¢)

DATE OF ISSUE	October 2 Month Day	9, 2004 Year	DATE EFFECTIVE			5, 2004 Year
ISSUED BY	K.J. Neises,	Executive Vice Pr	esident, 720 (	Olive St., S	St. Louis,	MO 63101

Name of Officer

Title

<sup>\*</sup> Revised each month in accordance with Section A.5 of the PGA clause.

## DERIVATION OF ACTUAL COST ADJUSTMENT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2004 FIRM SALES OTHER THAN LVTSS &VF

Deferred Gas Cost Account- Starting Balance	(\$7,170,429)
Deferrals: PGA Tracking Differences Prior ACA Period Bill Adjustments	\$1,189,925
Fiscal 2003	(\$10,724) \$0
Propane Peak Shaving Gas Expense Adjustment	(\$1,317,629) \$20,130,614 \$0 \$0
Carrying Costs Fiscal 2004	<i>,</i> –
Adjustment to prior years	(\$83) <b>\$0</b>
Price Stabilization Balance	(\$9,718) \$0
Total	\$19,982,385
ACA Recovery - Nov. 15, 2003 through Nov.14, 2004 UFA Recovery	\$5,728,604 \$0
Deferred Gas Cost Account Ending Balance	\$18,540,560
Incentive Adjustment Account-	
Starting Balance	\$3,347,028
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	\$0 \$0
Gas Procurement (Company retention)	<u>\$0</u>
Total Incentive Adjustment Account Recovery	\$0 (\$3,226,084)
Incentive Adjustment Account-Ending Balance	\$120,944
Total ACA Balance	\$18,661,504
Estimated Annual Firm Sales (therms)	806,594,000
Actual Cost Adjustment (Per Therm)	\$0.02314

## DERIVATION OF ACTUAL COST ADJUSTMENT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2004 LVTSS

Deferred Gas Cost Account- Starting Balance	\$1,072,028
Deferrals: PGA Tracking Differences Prior ACA Period Bill Adjustments Fiscal 2003	(\$9,768) (\$61)
Propane Peak Shaving Gas Expense Adjustment	\$0 (\$2,554) \$102,841 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0
Total	\$90,458
ACA Recovery - Nov. 15, 2003 through Nov.14, 2004	(\$181,909)
Deferred Gas Cost Account Balance	\$980,577
Incentive Adjustment Account- Starting Balance	\$63,158
Gas Procurement (Company retention) Total Incentive Adjustment Account Recovery	\$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 (\$11,014)
Incentive Adjustment Account-Ending Balance	\$52,144
Total ACA Balance	\$1,032,721
Estimated Annual LVTSS Sales (therms)	7,000,000
Actual Cost Adjustment (Per Therm)	\$0.14753

Deferred Gas Cost Account-	
Starting Balance	(\$11,122)
Deferrals:	
PGA Tracking Differences	(\$1,596)
Prior ACA Period Bill Adjustments	(\$1,000)
Fiscal 2003	(\$10)
	\$0
Propane Peak Shaving	(\$417)
Gas Expense Adjustment	\$16,808
	\$0 \$0
	\$0
	\$0
	\$0
Total	\$14.78 <b>5</b>
Total	\$14,785
ACA Recovery - Nov. 15, 2003 through Nov.14, 2004	\$15,435
Deferred Gas Cost Account Balance	\$19,098
Incentive Adjustment Account-	
Starting Balance	\$893
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	\$0
Gas Procurement (Company retention)	\$0 *0
Total	\$0 \$0
Incentive Adjustment Account Recovery	(\$1,2 <b>4</b> 1)
Incentive Adjustment Account-Ending Balance	(\$348)
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Total ACA Balance	\$18,750
Estimated Annual VF Sales (therms)	260,000
Actual Cost Adjustment (Per Therm)	\$0.05000 *

<sup>\*</sup> Maximum ACA rate per Sheet No. 22 of the Company's tariff.

## DERIVATION OF ACTUAL COST ADJUSTMENT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2004 INTERRUPTIBLE SALES

Deferred Gas Cost Account- Starting Balance	\$36,539
Deferrals: PGA Tracking Differences Prior ACA Period Bill Adjustments	(\$65,235)
Fiscal 2003	(\$134)
Gas Expense Adjustment Carrying Costs	\$48,122
Fiscal 2004	(\$1)
Adjustment to prior years  Price Stabilization Balance	\$0 (\$73)
	\$0
Total	(\$17,321)
ACA Recovery - Nov. 15, 2003 through Nov.14, 2004 UFA Recovery	(\$44,515) \$0
Deferred Gas Cost Account Balance	(\$25,297)
Incentive Adjustment Account-	
Starting Balance	\$26,090
	\$0
Gas Procurement (Company retention) Total	\$0
Incentive Adjustment Account Recovery	\$0 (\$4,396)
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Incentive Adjustment Account-Ending Balance	\$21,694
Total ACA Balance	(\$3,603)
Estimated Annual Interruptible Sales (therms)	5,183,000
Actual Cost Adjustment (Per Therm)	(\$0.00070)

## DERIVATION OF ACTUAL COST ADJUSTMENT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2004 L.P. SALES

	Total
Deferred Gas Cost Account- Starting Balance	\$27,119
Deferrals	\$6,268
ACA Recovery - Nov. 15, 2003 through Nov.14, 2004	(\$30,093)
Deferred Gas Cost Account Balance	\$3,294
Estimated Annual L.P. Sales (gallons)	118,000
Actual Cost Adjustment (Per Gallon)	\$0.02792

# DERIVATION OF ACTUAL COST ADJUSTMENT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2004 FIRM TRANSPORTATION

Deferred Gas Cost Account- Starting Balance	(\$83,963)
Deferrals: PGA Tracking Differences Prior ACA Period Bill Adjustments	(\$34,076)
Fiscal 2003	(\$100)
Gas Expense Adjustment	\$465,428 \$0 \$0
Total	\$431,252
ACA Recovery - Nov. 15, 2003 through Nov.14, 2004	\$119,033
Deferred Gas Cost Account Balance	\$466,322
Incentive Adjustment Account-	
Starting Balance	(\$20,549)
Gas Broowsmant (Company sets time)	\$0 \$0
Gas Procurement (Company retention) Total	\$0
Incentive Adjustment Account Recovery	<b>\$18,557</b>
Incentive Adjustment Account-Ending Balance	(\$1,992)
Total ACA Balance	\$464,330
Estimated Annual Firm Transportation (therms)	57,879,000
Actual Cost Adjustment (Per Therm)	\$0.00802