STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY February 16, 2000

CASE NO: GO-2000-395

Office of the Public Counsel P.O. Box 7800 Jefferson City, MO 65102 General Counsel
Missouri Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Michael C. Pendergast/Thomas M. Byrne

Laclede Gas Company 720 Olive Street, Room 1520 St. Louis, MO 63101

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

Sincerely,

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's Gas) Case No. GO-2000-395 Supply Incentive Plan (GSIP II).

NOTICE SHORTENING TIME IN WHICH TO RESPOND

On February 1, 2000, Laclede Gas Company (Laclede) filed its P.S.C. Mo. No. 5 Consolidated, Fourth Revised Sheet No. 28-a, with a proposed effective date of March 3, 2000. The purpose of the revision is to extend the term of GSIP II from the current expiration date of September 30, 2000, to September 30, 2002, and to modify the circumstances under which the GSIP II may be modified or terminated.

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed a memorandum and recommendation on February 15, 2000, indicating that Staff is concerned regarding the propriety of extending the GSIP II until it has had an opportunity to sufficiently evaluate the progress of the program. Staff recommends that the proposed revised tariff sheet be suspended at least until after the conclusion of the current legislative session and that a prehearing conference be scheduled.

As the proposed tariff sheet bears an effective date of March 3, 2000, it is necessary for the Commission to shorten the time in which interested parties may respond to Staff's memorandum and recommendation.

All parties are hereby notified that any response to Staff's recommendation must be filed on or before 3:00 p.m. on February 24, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

Ask Hoed Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 16th day of February, 2000.

Ruth, Regulatory Law Judge

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 $\underline{16^{th}}$ day of FEBRUARY 2000.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

Hole Hard Roberts