

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's Verified)	
Application for Authority to Issue and Sell)	
First Mortgage Bonds, Unsecured Debt and Preferred)	
Stock, in Connection with a Universal Shelf Registration)	Case No. GF-2009-0450
Statement, to Issue Common Stock and Receive Capital)	
Contributions, to Issue and Accept Private Placement)	
Securities, and to Enter Into Capital Leases, all in a)	
Total Amount Not to Exceed \$600 Million)	

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PARTIES
REGARDING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

COMES NOW Laclede Gas Company ("Laclede" or "Company") and, after consultation with the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), submits the following recommendations regarding a procedural schedule for this case:

1. On January 26, 2010, the Commission issued a Notice of Contested Case and Order Directing Filing, in which the Commission required a proposed procedural schedule be filed by February 5, 2010. As a result of their discussions, Laclede and Staff have formulated the following procedural schedule for the Commission's consideration:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>Date</u>
Direct Testimony	All Parties	Tue., 2/23/10
Rebuttal Testimony	All Parties	Tue., 3/16/10
Issues List, Order of Witnesses and Cross- Examination	Joint	Wed., 3/24/10
 Statements of Position	 All Parties	 Mon., 3/30/10
 Hearing		 Thur., 4/08/10
 Post-Hearing Brief	 All Parties	 Fri., 4/23/10

2. The Parties agree to implement shortened response times to Data Requests (DR) during the period between the filing date of Rebuttal testimony, March 16, 2010,

and March 26, 2010. During that period, parties will object to DRs within 3 days (but not less than 2 business days), and respond to DRs within 6 days.

3. Workpapers will be submitted within one business day of filing Direct testimony and will include all calculations, along with studies and documents cited in Direct testimony.

4. On behalf of itself and the Staff, Laclede requests that the Commission approve the proposed procedural schedule in its Order addressing these recommendations and agreements.

WHEREFORE, Laclede respectfully requests that the Commission approve the recommendations set forth above.

Respectfully submitted,

LACLEDE GAS COMPANY

By /s/ Michael C. Pendergast

Michael C. Pendergast, #31763

Vice President & Associate General Counsel

Rick Zucker, #49211

Assistant General Counsel-Regulatory

Laclede Gas Company

720 Olive Street, Room 1520

St. Louis, MO 63101

Telephone: (314) 342-0532

Facsimile: (314) 421-1979

E-mail: mpendergast@lacledegas.com

rzucker@lacledegas.com

Certificate of Service

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing pleading was served on the General Counsel of the Staff, and on the Office of the Public Counsel, on this 5th day of February 2010 by hand-delivery, e-mail, fax, or by placing a copy of such document, postage prepaid, in the United States mail.

/s/ Gerry Lynch