BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's)	File No. GR-2017-0215
Request to Increase Its Revenue for Gas Service)	
In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company d/b/a)	File No. GR-2017-0216
Missouri Gas Energy's Request to Increase Its)	
Revenues for Gas Service)	

PROPOSED PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES

COMES NOW the Staff ("Staff") of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"), Laclede Gas Company ("Laclede"), for itself and its operating units, Laclede Gas ("LAC") and Missouri Gas Energy ("MGE"), and the Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC") and, on behalf of all of the parties to these cases (collectively, "the Parties"), submit the following recommended language for the public hearings to be held in the above-referenced cases. In support thereof, the Parties state as follows:

1. On June 12, 2017, the Commission issued its Order in the above-captioned matters in which it directed the Parties to submit proposed language concerning the public hearings to be held in these cases. To that end, the Parties have developed the following notice language for each case based on the language and format previously utilized by the Commission for such purposes.

File No. GR-2017-0215

2. For the LAC case, File No. GR-2017-0215, the Parties agree and recommend that the Commission approve the public hearing notice language as set forth in Attachment A.

File No. GR-2017-0216

- 3. For the MGE case, File No. GR-2017-0216, the Parties agree and recommend that the Commission approve the public hearing notice language as set forth in Attachment B.
- 4. Counsel for all of the Parties to this case have had an opportunity to review the proposed public hearing notices set forth in Attachments A and B and have indicated that they concur in the language set forth therein.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Staff, Laclede, and OPC respectfully submit, on behalf of all Parties, these proposed public hearing notices in compliance with the Commission's June 12, 2017 Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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/s/	Marcia	Spangler	

NOTICE OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEARINGS AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS REGARDING PROPOSED INCREASE

Laclede Gas Company (LAC) has filed a request with the Missouri Public Service Commission (PSC) seeking to increase its rates for distributing natural gas by \$25.4 million, exclusive of amounts currently being recovered through its Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge (ISRS) of \$32.6 million. LAC estimates this would result in an increase of \$3.31 per month for a typical residential customer. This typical customer impact is based upon an average gas usage of 67 therms per month, and your bill impact will vary based upon your gas usage. Your monthly gas usage can be found on your bill.

Your comments regarding LAC's request, including comments on how rates will be collected and any other issue regarding LAC's service, may be made in person during one of the local public hearings listed below, or may be submitted by mail, e-mail, phone or through the PSC's website.

The PSC will hold public hearings in which customers will have an opportunity to present comments to the PSC commissioners about the rate increase request. Each public hearing will begin with a public question and answer session, followed by the taking of public comments.

Public comment hearings have been set before the PSC as follows:

Monday, October 2, 2017:	6:00pm	Fox School District – Wilde
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Conference Center 849 Jeffco Blvd

Arnold, Missouri, 63010

Tuesday, October 3, 2017: Noon Wohl Community Center

1515 North Kingshighway St. Louis, Missouri, 63113

6:00pm Harris Stowe State University

Givens Administration Bldg., Main

Auditorium

3026 Laclede Ave

St. Louis, Missouri, 63103 (St. Louis

City)

Thursday, October 5, 2017: Noon St. Louis County Library –

Headquarters

1640 S. Lindbergh Blvd. St. Louis, Missouri, 63146

Attachment A

6:00pm St. Charles County Administration

Building

201 North 2nd Street

St. Charles, Missouri, 63301

If you are unable to attend a live public hearing and wish to make written comments or secure additional information, you may contact the Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, telephone (800) 392-4211, email pscinfo@psc.mo.gov; or the Office of the Public Counsel, P.O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102, telephone (866) 922-2959, email opcservice@ded.mo.gov. Comments may also be registered in the case using the Commission's electronic filing system at https://www.efis.psc.mo.gov/mpsc/Comments.html. If submitting comments electronically, please reference Case No. GR-2017-0215.

The Commission will also conduct an evidentiary hearing at its offices in Jefferson City from December 4-8, 2017 and December 11-15, 2017 each day beginning at 8:30 am. The hearings and local public hearings will be held in buildings that meet accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If a customer needs additional accommodations to participate in the hearings, please call the PSC's Hotline at (800) 392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearing.

NOTICE OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEARINGS AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS REGARDING PROPOSED INCREASE

Missouri Gas Energy (MGE), an operating unit of Laclede Gas Company, has filed a request with the Missouri Public Service Commission (PSC) seeking to increase its rates for distributing natural gas by \$34.0 million annually, exclusive of amounts currently being recovered through its Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge (ISRS) of approximately \$16.4 million. MGE estimates this would result in an increase of \$5.09 per month for a typical residential customer. This typical customer impact is based upon an average gas usage of 64 ccf per month, and your bill impact will vary based upon your gas usage. Your monthly gas usage can be found on your bill.

Your comments regarding MGE's request, including comments on how rates will be collected and any other issue regarding MGE's service, may be made in person during one of the local public hearings listed below, or may be submitted by mail, e-mail, phone or through the PSC's website.

The PSC will hold public hearings in which customers will have an opportunity to present comments to the PSC commissioners about the rate increase request. Each public hearing will begin with a public question and answer session, followed by the taking of public comments.

Public comment hearings have been set before the PSC as follows:

Monday, September 25, 2017: 6:00pm Joplin Public Library

1901 East 20th St

Joplin, Missouri, 64804

Tuesday, September 26, 2017: Noon City Hall Council Chambers

1100 Frederick Ave

St. Joseph, Missouri, 64501

6:00pm Mid-Continent Library – North

Independence Branch

317 W. 24 Hwy

Independence, Missouri, 64050

Wednesday, September 27, 2017: 6:00pm Bruce R. Watkins Cultural

Heritage Center Auditorium

3700 Blue Parkway

Kansas City, Missouri, 64130

Thursday. September 28, 2017: Noon Cohen Center, Kansas City Public Library

Plaza Branch – Lower Level

4801 Main St

Kansas City, Missouri, 64112

6:00pm Gladstone Community Center

6901 N. Holmes St

Gladstone, Missouri, 64118

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