

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

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
v.)	Case No. GC-2011-0006
)	
Laclede Gas Company,)	
Respondent.)	

**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”) and the Office of the Public Counsel (“Public Counsel”), submits the following recommendations regarding a procedural schedule for this case:

1. Laclede has informed the parties of its intent to file a counterclaim against the Staff in this case. Accordingly, the parties have built time into the procedural schedule for Laclede to make that filing, and for Staff to file an Answer. Accordingly, the parties have formulated the following procedural schedule for the Commission’s consideration:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>Date</u>
Laclede Counterclaim	Laclede	Wed., 9/22/10
Answer to Counterclaim	Staff	Mon., 10/25/10
Direct Testimony	All Parties	Wed., 12/15/10
Rebuttal Testimony	All Parties	Fri., 1/21/11
Issues List, Order of Witnesses and Cross-Examination	Joint	Tue., 2/1/11

Statements of Position	All Parties	Fri., 2/4/11
Hearing	All Parties	Tues.-Fri., 2/22/11 - 2/25/11

2. The Parties agree to implement shortened response times to Data Requests (DR) during the period between the filing date of Direct Testimony, December 15, 2010, and February 1, 2011. During that period, parties will object to DRs within 5 days (but not less than 3 business days), and respond to DRs within 10 days.

WHEREFORE, on behalf of all of the parties to this docket, Laclede respectfully requests that the Commission approve the recommendations set forth above.

Respectfully submitted,

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/s/ Gerry Lynch