

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

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's)
Purchased Gas Adjustment for 2005-2006) **Case No. GR-2006-0288**

**SECOND STATUS REPORT AND
REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL EXTENSION**

COMES NOW Laclede Gas Company (hereinafter "Laclede" or "Company") and, pursuant to the Commission's March 7, 2008 procedural order in this case (the "March 7 Order"), submits its Second Status Report in the above-captioned case. In support thereof, Laclede states as follows:

1. On December 31, 2007, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") filed its Memorandum and Recommendation in this matter ("Recommendation"). Since February 6, 2008, the parties have obtained extensions of Laclede's date to file a response to the Recommendation to allow the parties the opportunity to exchange information and to discuss the issues raised therein with the goal being to narrow or eliminate such issues.

2. The Commission orders approving the requested extensions have required Laclede to file a status report on the progress of these discussions. Accordingly, the March 7 Order required the Company to file either a response to the Recommendation or a status report by March 21, 2008.

3. The Company reports that the meetings and discussions that took place on March 6 and March 18, 2008, and the additional exchange of information both prior to and during such meetings, have led to a better understanding between Laclede and Staff

on key matters concerning Staff's proposed disallowance of \$2.8 million in this case, and \$1.7 million in the prior year's ACA case.

4. Based on this progress, Laclede submits that a further extension is warranted in this case to continue to pursue potential resolution of key issues. Laclede therefore requests that the due date for the filing of its response in this case or, in the alternative, for the filing of a status report, be extended until April 11, 2008.

5. Laclede has advised counsel for the Staff and the Office of the Public Counsel of this request, and they have indicated that they have no objection to the relief sought herein.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Laclede respectfully requests that the Commission accept this Status Report and issue an Order extending until April 11, 2008, the due date for the filing of Laclede's Response in this case or, in the alternative, for the filing of a status report.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Gerry Lynch hereby certifies that the foregoing pleading has been duly served upon the General Counsel of the Staff and the Office of the Public Counsel by email or United States mail, postage prepaid, on this 20th day of March, 2008.

/s/ Gerry Lynch

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