

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

In the matter of the application of Missouri)
Gas Energy, a division of Laclede Gas Company)
for a certificate of public convenience and necessity)
authorizing it to construct, install, own, operate,) File No. _____
control, manage and maintain a natural gas)
distribution system to provide gas service in)
Lawrence County, Missouri, as an expansion of its)
existing certified area.)

APPLICATION

COMES NOW Missouri Gas Energy, a division of Laclede Gas Company, (MGE or Applicant), by and through its counsel, and as its Application pursuant to §393.170, RSMo, 4 CSR 240-2.060 and 4 CSR 240-3.205, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity, respectfully states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission):

1. MGE is a division of Laclede Gas Company which is duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Missouri and conducts business in its MGE service territory under the fictitious name of Missouri Gas Energy. Laclede’s principal office and place of business is located at 720 Olive Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63101. A copy of a Certificate of Good Standing evidencing Laclede’s standing to do business in Missouri was submitted in Case No. GM-2013-0254 and is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes. A copy of a certificate from the Missouri Secretary of State that Missouri Gas Energy is a registered fictitious name of Laclede Gas Company was submitted in Case No. GO-2014-0179 and is incorporated herein by reference.

2. Other than cases that have been docketed at the Commission, neither MGE nor Laclede has any pending action or final unsatisfied judgments against it from any state or federal agency or court within the past three (3) years that involve customer service or rates. Laclede has

no annual report or assessment fees that are overdue. MGE currently conducts business as a “gas corporation” and provides natural gas service to approximately 500,000 customers in the Missouri counties of Andrew, Barry, Barton, Bates, Buchanan, Carroll, Cass, Cedar, Christian, Clay, Clinton, Dade, Dekalb, Greene, Henry, Howard, Jackson, Jasper, Johnson, Lafayette, Lawrence, McDonald, Moniteau, Pettis, Platte, Ray, Saline, Stone, and Vernon, subject to the jurisdiction of the Missouri Public Service Commission as provided by law.

3. All correspondence, communications, notices, orders and decisions of the Commission with respect to this matter should be sent to the undersigned counsel and:

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Director, Pricing & Regulatory Affairs
Missouri Gas Energy
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4. With this application, MGE is requesting a certificate to provide gas in Section 9, Township 26 North, Range 28 West. This is a section where MGE currently does not hold a certificate for natural gas service from the Commission. MGE has facilities in Section 16, Township 26 North, Range 28 West. Section 9, Township 26 North, Range 28 West is an area where a customer has contacted MGE with the need for a main extension to service chicken houses in Pierce City.

5. Attached hereto and marked as **Appendix A** is a map of the location of the proposed service area. MGE already has a certificate from the Commission to serve the section adjacent to the requested section to the south, in addition to several other sections surrounding the city of Pierce City in Lawrence County.

6. The metes and bounds legal descriptions of the proposed certificated areas in Lawrence County are as follows:

Section 9, Township 26 North, Range 28 West in Lawrence County, Missouri.

7. Attached hereto and marked as **Appendix B** are copies of the proposed work orders and feasibility study for the Section 9 project including the estimated cost of construction. No external financing will be required for construction related to this project. A customer contribution of \$120,698 will be collected. Construction methods will follow MGE's customary standards and the rules of the Commission.

8. Attached hereto and marked as **Appendix C** are lists of eleven persons residing within or who are landowners within one mile of Section 9, Township 26 North, Range 28 West.

9. Applicant will not require any franchises or permits from municipalities, counties, or other authorities in connection with the proposed construction other than the usual and customary state highway, railroad and county road permits which will be obtained prior to construction.

10. Applicant proposes to use its existing rates and regulations for natural gas service contained in its tariff, as the same may change from time to time pursuant to law, in serving the proposed area.

11. The area in which MGE is seeking to be certificated hereby is expected to develop and require natural gas service. Service from another natural gas supplier is not available at the present time. Since MGE has the franchise and the ability to provide service in this area by construction of additions to existing facilities, MGE believes that potential new customers should be afforded the opportunity to take service from MGE if they so desire, pursuant to MGE's extension rule. These facts support a finding that the granting of the application is required by

the public convenience and necessity.

12. No gas transmission lines are required to be constructed as a part of this application.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests an order from the Commission granting it a certificate of convenience and necessity to construct, install, own, operate, control, manage, and maintain a system for the provision of natural gas service to the public pursuant to its approved rates, rules and regulations, in Section 9, Township 26 North, Range 28 West in Lawrence County, Missouri.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was sent by electronic mail to the following this 19th day of February, 2014:

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Jefferson City, MO 65101
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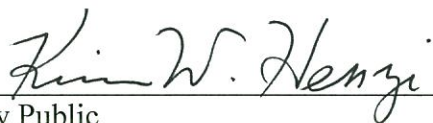
VERIFICATION

STATE OF MISSOURI)
)
COUNTY OF JACKSON) ss

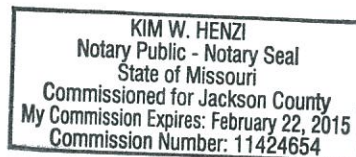
I, Michael R. Noack, state that I am employed by Missouri Gas Energy (MGE), a division of Laclede Gas Company, as the Director, Pricing & Regulatory Affairs; that I have read the above and foregoing document; that the statements contained therein are true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge and belief; and, that I am authorized to make this statement on behalf of MGE.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of February 2014.



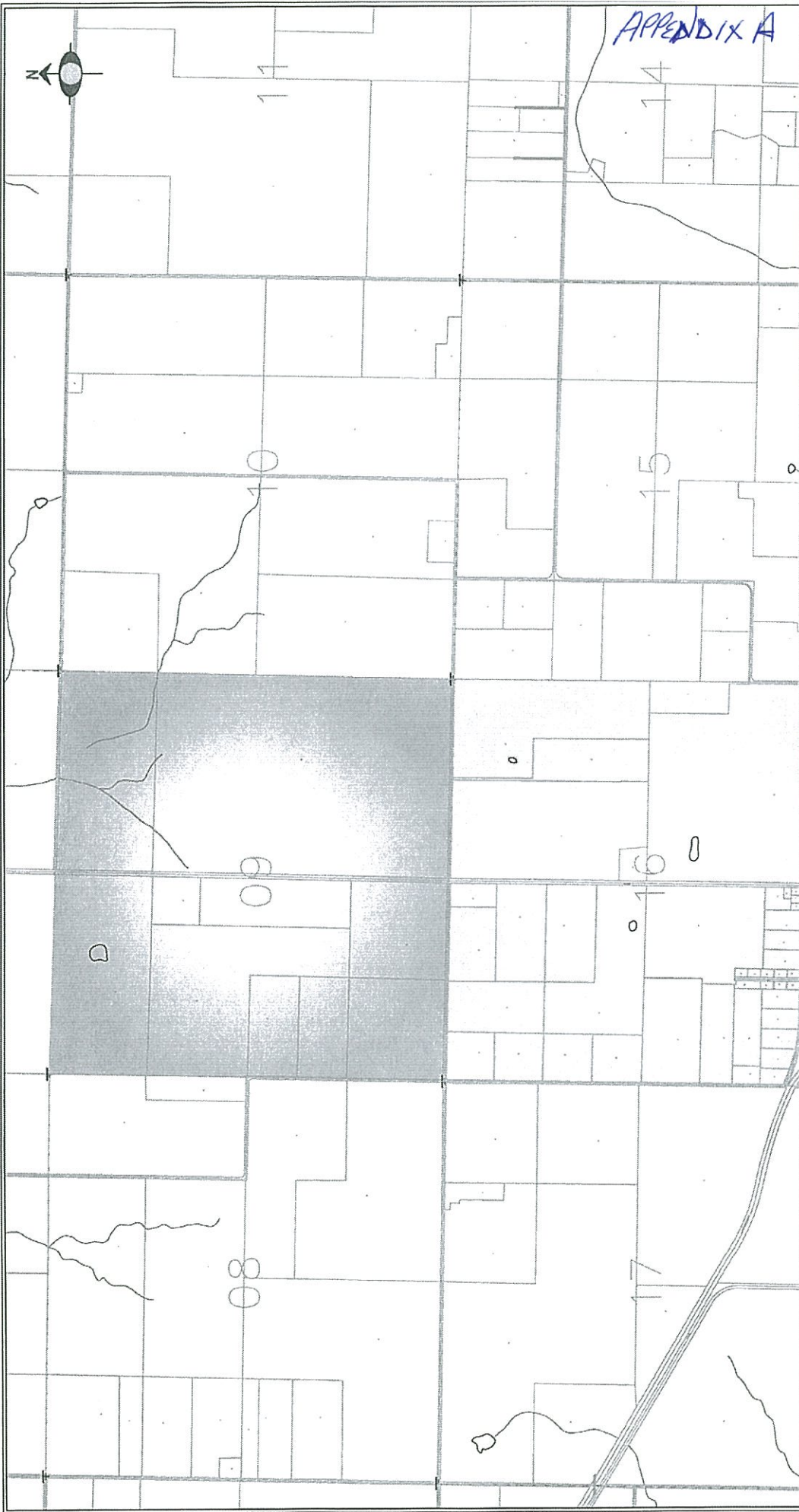
Notary Public



My Commission Expires:

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APPENDIX A

MOGE		MISSOURI GAS ENERGY		ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT 207 Pre St PO Box 20 Honey Mt, MO 65708	
Pierce City, MO LAWRENCE COUNTY		MISSOURI GAS ENERGY		CERTIFICATION REQUEST	
DISTRICT NO.		SHEET NO.		1 OF 1	

DWG: T26N R28W SEC 9					
REV.	DESCRIPTION	DATE	BY	YR	TH
1	L. Fenske				
2	L. Fenske				
3	L. Fenske				

SCALE: 1"=2000'

LAWRENCE COUNTY

SECTION 09, TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 28 WEST

PROPOSED SECTION 9 EXISTING

JACERTIFICATION

Missouri Gas Energy
Application of Certificate of Convenience and Necessity
Feasibility Study
Lawrence County Section 9, Township 26N, Range 28W

		<u>Year 1</u>		<u>Year 2</u>		<u>Year 3</u>
Revenue	(1)	\$ 4,472.31	\$	4,472.31	\$	4,472.31
Expenses						
Operating Expenses		1,049.02		1,049.02		1,049.02
Depreciation		857.80		857.80		857.80
Property Tax		377.89		377.89		377.89
Total Expense		2,284.71		2,284.71		2,284.71

(1) - Rates as approved in GR-2009-0355

Fixed Charge + ISRS	\$	1,383.24	\$	1,383.24	\$	1,383.24
Volumetric Revenue	\$	3,089.07	\$	3,089.07	\$	3,089.07
	\$	4,472.31	\$	4,472.31	\$	4,472.31
 O & M Expense		 1,049.02		 1,049.02		 1,049.02
No. of Customers		1		1		1
		1,049.02		1,049.02		1,049.02
 Total Investment	 \$	 37,789	 \$	 37,789	 \$	 37,789
Property Tax %		1%		1%		1%
 Tax		 377.89		 377.89		 377.89
 Depreciable Plant		 37,788.69		 37,788.69		 37,788.69
Deprec Rate		2.27%		2.27%		2.27%
 Deprec		 857.80		 857.80		 857.80

Planned Construction:
300' - 2" Plastic Main

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Work Order example ?tracknumber=FS09062005092308

Track Number: :: 2013101582722	Prepared by: :	PDS Sector
Operating Area: : Monett	WO#: 143274	Job Type:
Location: : HWY 97 and Co Rd 2210	Budget Category: 100	Mtr Size:
Name: : Est for Chicken Houses in Pierce City	Supervisor: Jim Carrier	Reimb: NO
Town: : Pierce City	Parent WO#:	Amount: \$0.00
HmeCstCtr: New Main Extension - Contractor Crews 3760 (33-380)		Crew:
Started By: Trevor Bough		Inspector:

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TIE-IN Check List needs to be completed BEFORE routing this work order.

Estimate Totals

Labor Subtotal	\$6,708.00
Labor Overhead @ 145.00%	\$9,726.60
<small>* 110.00% labor and 35.00% fleet, totaling 145.00%</small>	
Less 44.60% on Overtime	\$0.00
Material Subtotal	\$9,592.18
Stores Loading @ 30.00%	\$2,877.65
Lost Opportunity @ 0.00%	\$0.00
Lost Opportunity Overheads @ 0.00%	\$0.00
Contract Labor Subtotal	\$78,165.07
Miscellaneous Subtotal	\$1,500.00
Construction Overheads @ 15.00%	\$16,285.43
WO Estimate Total	\$124,854.93
Contribution/Reimbursement Amt	(\$0.00)
Net to Company	\$124,854.93
Final/Actual WO Cost	\$0.00
Variance	(\$124,854.93)

Totals correctly reported.

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Work Order example ?tracknumber=FS09062005092308

Track Number: :: 2013101585928	Prepared by: :	PDS Sector
Operating Area: : Monett	WO#: 143275	Job Type:
Location: : HWY 97 and Co Rd 2210	Budget Category: 100	Mtr Size:
Name: : 2in Service Est Chicken Houses in PC	Supervisor: Supervisor	Reimb: NO
Town: : Pierce City	Parent WO#:	Amount: \$0.00
HmeCstCtr: New Services 2" & Larger 3800 (33-381)		Crew:
Started By: Trevor Bough		Inspector:

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Purpose	Dates/Approv	Load	Totals	Defaults	Misc	Notes	Pipe	Contacts	Material	PwrPlnt
Checks	MAP	Printer Friendly	Oracle							

TIE-IN Check List needs to be completed BEFORE routing this work order.
Estimate Totals

Labor Subtotal	\$1,341.60
Labor Overhead @ 145.00%	\$1,945.32
<small>* 110.00% labor and 35.00% fleet, totaling 145.00%</small>	
Less 44.60% on Overtime	\$0.00
Material Subtotal	\$1,171.58
Stores Loading @ 30.00%	\$351.47
Lost Opportunity @ 0.00%	\$0.00
Lost Opportunity Overheads @ 0.00%	\$0.00
Contract Labor Subtotal	\$22,935.04
Miscellaneous Subtotal	\$1,500.00
Construction Overheads @ 15.00%	\$4,386.75
WO Estimate Total	\$33,631.76
Contribution/Reimbursement Amt	(\$0.00)
Net to Company	\$33,631.76
Final/Actual WO Cost	\$0.00
Variance	(\$33,631.76)

Totals correctly reported.

LANDOWNERS IN LAWRENCE COUNTY TOWNSHIP 26N RANGE 28W S 09

1. James and Caroline Parrigon Trust
20517 Highway 97
Pierce City, MO 65723
2. Chad and Margery Wilcock
20927 Highway 97 2195
Pierce City, MO 65723
3. Kristy Tenney and Scott Wilcock
20927 Highway 97
Pierce City, MO 65723
4. Russell C and Julie C Jespersen
20611 Hwy 97
Pierce City, MO 65723
5. Dwight L and Janis M Neher
20706 Lawrence 1030
Pierce City, MO 65723
6. Marvin H and Esther G Neher
20598 Lawrence 1027
Pierce City, MO 65723
7. Robert T and Maria D Mosier
20792 Lawrence 1030
Pierce City, MO 65723
8. Michael W and Leah D Sherman
3708 Lawrence 2210
Pierce City, MO 65723
9. Richard E and Carolyn Bellm
3210 Lawrence 2210
Pierce City, MO 65723
10. Lil' Peckers LLC 234 acres--no dwelling
Highway 97 and Lawrence 2210
Pierce City, MO 65723
11. Lois Ann Terry 78 acres -- no dwelling
Highway 97 and Lawrence 2200
Pierce City, MO 65723