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December 31, 2002

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
Missouri Public Service Commission
Governor Office Building
200 Madison Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

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Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed herewith for filing with the Missouri Public Service Commission is a revised tariff sheet, P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth Revised Sheet No. 29, which is applicable to both divisions of Laclede Gas Company ("Company"). This revised tariff sheet, which has an issue date of December 31, 2002 and an effective date of January 15, 2003, reflects the scheduled January Purchased Gas Adjustment ("PGA") for the Company's natural gas customers. Such sheet also reflects a revised Purchased L.P. Gas Adjustment for the Company's subdivision propane customers.

The increased natural gas PGA factors reflected in this filing are primarily attributable to the increase in wellhead natural gas prices that has occurred since the Company established the PGA factors that became effective in late November 2002. However, the Company's use of natural gas financial hedging instruments and withdrawals of gas from underground storage facilities has reduced the impact of these higher prices on the rates paid by the Company's customers.

As provided by the Company's tariff, the revised natural gas Current PGA factors do not apply to the Company's Large Volume Transportation and Sales Service ("LVTSS") and Vehicular Fuel ("VF") customers. Unlike the Current PGA for all other customers, the Current PGA for LVTSS and VF customers is revised on a monthly basis by means of the notification procedure specifically provided by Section A.5. of the Company's PGA clause.

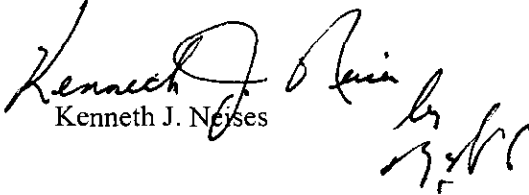
The natural gas PGA rates provided herein will increase the bill of the typical residential heating customer during the months of January and February 2003 by about \$16 per month compared to the Company's existing rates. The Company's next scheduled PGA change will occur during the month of March 2003.

The new L.P. Current PGA factor reflects the average price of L.P. gas purchased by the Company for delivery in late October and November 2002.

Included with this filing, in addition to Laclede's Revised Sheet No. 29, is the computation of the revised natural gas Current PGA factors.

I have enclosed three copies of this filing, one of which is for your convenience in acknowledging your receipt thereof.

Sincerely,


Kenneth J. Neises

Enclosures

cc: Office of the Public Counsel

Laclede Gas Company

For

Refer to Sheet No. 1

Name of Issuing Corporation or Municipality

Community, Town or City

SCHEDULE OF RATES

PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE

Adjustment Statement

In accordance with the Company's Purchased Gas Adjustment Clause contained in Sheet Nos. 15 through 28-g, inclusive and the Company's Purchased L.P. Gas Adjustment Clause contained on Sheet No. 8, the following adjustments per therm or per gallon, where applicable, will become effective on and after the effective date of this tariff.

<u>Sales Classification</u>	<u>Current PGA</u>	<u>ACA</u>	<u>UACA</u>	<u>Refund</u>	<u>Total Adjustment</u>
Residential:					
Block 1	33.931¢	(2.850¢)	1.700¢	(0.039¢)	32.742¢
Block 2	68.999¢	(2.850¢)	1.700¢	(0.039¢)	67.810¢
Commercial & Industrial					
Class I - Block 1	28.298¢	(2.850¢)	1.700¢	(0.039¢)	27.109¢
Class I - Block 2	67.573¢	(2.850¢)	1.700¢	(0.039¢)	66.384¢
Class II - Block 1	38.863¢	(2.850¢)	1.700¢	(0.039¢)	37.764¢
Class II - Block 2	67.573¢	(2.850¢)	1.700¢	(0.039¢)	66.384¢
Class III - Block 1	39.716¢	(2.850¢)	1.700¢	(0.039¢)	38.527¢
Class III - Block 2	67.573¢	(2.850¢)	1.700¢	(0.039¢)	66.384¢
LVTSS and VF	*	14.573¢	0.000¢	(0.039¢)	*
Other & Unblocked Firm	53.309¢	(2.850¢)	1.700¢	(0.039¢)	52.120¢
Seasonal & Interruptible	44.895¢	(5.615¢)	0.000¢	(0.000¢)	39.280¢
L.P. Gas	76.133¢	(6.302¢)	--	--	69.831¢

Residential sales are rendered under Residential General Service (Sheet No. 2)

Commercial & Industrial sales are rendered under Commercial & Industrial General Service (Sheet Nos. 3, 3-a and 3-b)

LVTSS sales are rendered under the Large Volume Transportation and Sales Service Rate (Sheet No. 34).

VF sales are rendered under the Vehicular Fuel Rate (Sheet No. 11).

Other Firm sales are rendered under the Large Volume Service Rate (Sheet No. 5) and the Unmetered Gas Light Service Rate (Sheet No. 9).

Seasonal and Interruptible sales are rendered under the Residential Seasonal Air Conditioning Service Rate (Sheet No. 4), the Commercial & Industrial Seasonal Service Rate (Sheet No. 4-a) and the Interruptible Service Rate (Sheet No. 7).

L.P. Gas sales are rendered under the General L.P. Gas Service Rate (Sheet No. 8).

* Revised each month in accordance with Section A.5 of the PGA clause.

Additional Transportation Charges, ACA Factors and Refunds

<u>Customer Groups</u>	<u>TOP</u>	<u>Capacity Reservation</u>	<u>Other Non-Commodity</u>	<u>ACA</u>	<u>Refund</u>
Firm	-	5.504¢	-	0.851¢	0.000¢
Basic - Firm Sales	-	-	-	0.000¢	0.000¢
Prior to 11/15/89	-	-	-	0.000¢	0.000¢
Basic - Other	-	-	-	0.000¢	(0.055¢)

DATE OF ISSUE

December 31, 2002

DATE EFFECTIVE

January 15, 2003

Month Day Year

Month Day Year

ISSUED BY

K.J. Neises,

Executive Vice President,

720 Olive St.,

St. Louis, MO 63101

Name of Officer

Title

Address

DERIVATION OF NEW BLOCKED CPGA RATES

Firm Unblocked CPGA

Base	\$0.44998
New	\$0.53309
Change	\$0.08311

	Block	Base CPGA	Change	New CPGA
Res	1	\$0.25620	\$0.08311	\$0.33931
	2	\$0.60688	\$0.08311	\$0.68999
C&I-1	1	\$0.19987	\$0.08311	\$0.28298
	2	\$0.59262	\$0.08311	\$0.67573
C&I-2	1	\$0.30552	\$0.08311	\$0.38863
	2	\$0.59262	\$0.08311	\$0.67573
C&I-3	1	\$0.31405	\$0.08311	\$0.39716
	2	\$0.59262	\$0.08311	\$0.67573

LACLEDE GAS COMPANY
COMPUTATION OF CURRENT PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT FACTORS
EFFECTIVE JAN 15, 2003

				GAS COST PER THERM						
				ANNUALIZED	VOLUMES	FIRM-	OTHER THAN	SEASONAL &		
GAS COST COMPONENT				COST	(THERMS)	LYTSS	INTERRUPTIBLE			
GAS SUPPLY DEMAND				\$11,897,154	842,766,046	Avg cost	\$0.01412	\$0.00000		
CAPACITY RESERVATION				\$63,118,068	917,430,841	\$0.06880	\$0.07002 (1)	\$0.00000		
COMMODITY RELATED CHARGES										
COMMODITY				\$4.3668						
GRI SURCHARGE				\$0.0055	Standard Deliveries					
ANNUAL CHARGE ADJUSTMENT				\$0.0021	To Laclede					
S/T				\$4.3744	87,382,092 MMBtu	\$382,241,602	851,443,420	0.44893	0.44893	
FIXED TAKE-OR-PAY RELATED CHARGES				0						
S/T				\$0	X	12	\$0	1,041,611,868	0.00000	0.00000
OTHER NON-COMMODITY-RELATED COSTS				\$17,782	851,443,420	0.00002	0.00002			
TOTAL				\$457,274,606		\$0.53309	\$0.44895			

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Avg capacity reservation charge per therm	\$0.06880
Firm transportation factor per Sheet No. 16	80%
Firm transportation capacity reservation charge per therm	\$0.05504
Annual firm transportation volumes	74,664,795
Capacity reservation charges allocated to firm transportation	\$4,109,550
Total capacity reservation charges	\$63,118,068
Capacity reservation charges allocated to firm sales	\$59,008,518
Annual firm sales volumes	842,766,046
Firm sales capacity reservation charge per therm	\$0.07002