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### ORIGINAL COST RATE BASE

Description	March 31, 2007		
Utility Plant in Service Natural Gas Stored Underground - Non-Current		\$1,150,238 5,884	
Subtotal of Plant		\$1,156,122	
-Deduct Accumulated Provision for Depreciation of Gas Plant and Provision for Depletion and Amortization of Land, Land Rights and Other Gas Plant in Service Customer Advances for Construction Subtotal of Plant Deductions Net Plant		(\$438,388) (1,005) (\$439,393) \$716,729	
Add: Special Deposits Prepayments Materials and Supplies Prepaid Pension Asset Gas Safety Deferral GR-2001-629 Gas Safety Deferral GR-2002-356 Gas Safety Deferral GR-2005-0284 Insulation Financing and EnergyWise Program Loans Cash Working Capital Total Working Capital	\$10 4,745 5,003 102,051 1,286 180 601 876 21,824	136,576	
-Deduct: Customer Deposits Deferred Income Taxes Original Cost Rate Base		(11,600) (140,285) \$701,420	

# LACLEDE GAS COMPANY SUMMARY OF LAG TIME FROM PAYMENT OF EXPENSE UNTIL REVENUE IS RECEIVED TEST YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2006 (Thousands of Dollars)

	Normalized	Average	Lag Days From	Net (Lead)/Lag Days	Cash Required
	12 Month	Daily	Day of Expense	from Day Exp. Paid	For Operating
	Expenses	Expense	To Day Paid	To Day Rev. Rec'd	Expenses
Gas Costs				10.0	10.057
Natural Gas	696,092	1,901.891	40.7	10.0	19,057
L.P Peaking	7,132	19.486	31.5	19.2	375
L.P Subdivision	417	1.139	50.8	(0.1)	10.422
Total Gas Costs	703,641	1,922.516			19,432
Labor and Related Expenses			10.0	20.7	£ 204
Wages - Contract	50,321	137.489	12.0	38.7	5,324
- Management	25,165	68.757	16.2	34.5	2,373
- Missouri Natural	5,821	15.904	13.0	37.7	600
Group Insurance	8,745	23.893	(2.4)	53.1	1,269
401 (k) Contributions	2,231	6.096	13.2	37.5	229
Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefits	10,664	29.137	52.6	(1.9)	(55)
Total Labor and Related Expenses	102,947	281.276			9,740
Other Expenses				26.6	270
Materials and Supplies	3,838	10.486	24.1	26.6	279
Transportation	5,759	15.735	22.2	28.5	449
Natural Gas Costs to Operations	386	1.055	35.4	15.3	16
Utilities	1,010	2.760	26.0	24.7	68
Postage	2,285	6.243	(6.1)	56.8	355
Misc. Customer Accounts Expense	4,662	12.738	42.0	8.7	111
Uncollectible Accounts - Actual	10,724	29.301	182.5	(131.8)	(3,861)
Uncollectible Accounts - Adjustment	(4,878)	(13.328)	0.0	50.7	(676)
Fees - Misc. Services	1,890	5.164	92.6	(41.9)	(216)
MoPSC Assessment	1,916	5.235	0.0	50.7	266
Rents	825	2.254	(1.2)	51.9	117
Miscellaneous Expense	49,678	135.732	30.0	20.7	2,812
Total Expense	78,095	213.375			(280)
Incidental Oil Sales - Expense	53	0.145	67.3	(16.6)	(2)
Subtotal of Above Expenses	884,736	2,417.312			28,890
Taxes (Other Than Deferred Taxes)					
Distribution - Income Taxes	3,177	8.680	62.5	(11.8)	(102)
- Gross Receipts Taxes	51,909	141.828	*	(7.9)	(1,120)
- Employment Taxes	6,472	17.683	16.1	34.6	612
- Property Taxes	11,497	31.413	182.5	(131.8)	(4,140)
- Other Taxes	720	1.967	(1.0)	51.7	102
Total Taxes	73,775	201.571	-		(4,648)
Total Taxes			•		
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES EXCLUDING I	DEPRECIATION	ON.			
AMORTIZATION, AND DEFERRED TAXES	958,511	2,618.883			24,242
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Sales Taxes	14,286	39.033	*	10.3	402
Employee Taxes Withheld	26,720	73.005	*	(4.1)	(299)
Interest Expense Offset - LTD	23,427	64.008	90.1	(39.4)	
	ا شπ, د ن	0.000	12.4	38.3	0
Interest Expense Offset - STD		0.000		20.2	
TOTAL CASH WORKING CAPITAL ITEMS	1,022,944	2,794.929	=		21,824
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<sup>\* -</sup> Net (Lead)/Lag Days determined independently for these items

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### THE LACLEDE GROUP, INC.

### CAPITAL STRUCTURE

September 30, 2006 (Thousands of Dollars)

	Amount	Percent of Total
Redeemable Preferred Stock:		
Authorized, 1,480,000 shares \$25		
Par Value		
Issued and Outstanding		
5.0% Series B 31,951 shares	\$799	
4.56% Series C 5,894 shares	147	
Total Preferred Stock	\$946	0.1%
Common Equity:		
Common Stock	\$21,362	
Paid-in Capital	127,124	
Retained Earnings	250,495	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	3,655	
Total Common Stock Equity	\$402,636	50.7%
Long-Term Debt:		
First Mortgage Bonds:		
7.5% Series Due November 1, 2007	40,000	
6.5% Series Due November 15, 2010	25,000	
6.5% Series Due October 15, 2012	25,000	
5.5% Series Due May 1, 2019	50,000	
7% Series Due June 1, 2029	25,000	
7.9% Series Due September 15, 2030	30,000	
6% Series Due May 1, 2034	100,000	
6.15% Series Due June 1, 2036	55,000	
Long-Term Debt to Unconsolidated Affiliate Trust	46,400	
Unamortized Discount, Expense, and		
Loss On Reacquired Debt	(6,152)	
Total Long-Term Debt	\$390,248	49.2%
Short Term Debt:		
Average Short Term Debt	\$0	0.0%
Total Capitalization	\$793,830	100.0%

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## EMBEDDED COSTS OF DEBT

September 30, 2006

	Amount Outstanding	Annualized <u>Cost</u>
Long-Term Debt		
First Mortgage Bonds		
7.5% Series Due November 1, 2007	40,000	3,000.000
6.5% Series Due November 15, 2010	25,000	1,62,5.000
6.5% Series Due October 15, 2012	25,000	1,625.000
5.5% Series Due May 1, 2019	50,000	2,750.000
7% Series Due June 1, 2029	25,000	1,750.000
7.9% Series Due September 15, 2030	30,000	2,370.000
6% Series Due May 1, 2034	100,000	6,000.000
6.15% Series Due June 1, 2036	55,000	3,382.500
Long-Term Debt to Unconsolidated Affiliate Trust	46,400	3,572.800
Unamortized Discount, Expense, and Loss	(6.152)	364.671
On Reacquired Debt	(6,152)	
Total	\$390,248	<u>\$26,439.971</u>
Embedded Cost of Long-Term Debt	6	5.78%

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### EMBEDDED COST OF PREFERRED STOCK

September 30, 2006

	Amount Outstanding	Annualized <u>Cost</u>
Redeemable Preferred Stock		
5.0% Series B	\$799	\$39.950
4.56% Series C	147_	6.703
Totals .	\$946	\$46.653
Embedded Cost of Preferred Stock	4	.93%

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# LACLEDE GAS COMPANY Test Year and Pro Forma Utility Operating Income Statements

Year Ended September 30, 2006

Income per Books		Normalization & Annualization Adjustments	Pro Forma Income
\$689,347			\$689,347
284,174			284,174
5,644			5,644
15,257			15,257
4,702			4,702
141,887			141,887
	-1-	(\$837,534)	(837,534)
\$1,141,011		(\$837,534)	\$303,477
\$821,721	-2-	(\$822,061)	(\$340)
149			149
1,318			1,318
119			119
29,834	-3-	812	30,646
38,924	-4-	4,570	43,494
3,880			3,880
53,956	-5-	(654)	53,302
\$949,901		(\$817,333)	\$132,568
\$21,198			\$21,198
	-6-	\$1,606	1,606
	-7-	(7)	(7)
30,904	-8-	3,762	34,666
71,038	-9-	(500)	70,538
			0
9,587	-10-	(4,367)	5,220_
\$1,082,628		(\$816,840)	\$265,788
\$58,383		(\$20,694)	\$37,689
	\$689,347 284,174 5,644 15,257 4,702 141,887 \$1,141,011 \$821,721 149 1,318 119 29,834 38,924 3,880 53,956 \$949,901 \$21,198 30,904 71,038 9,587 \$1,082,628	\$689,347 284,174 5,644 15,257 4,702 141,887 -1- \$1,141,011  \$821,721 -2-  149 1,318 119 29,834 -3- 38,924 -4- 3,880 53,956 \$949,901  \$21,198 -67- 30,904 -8- 71,038 -9-  9,587 -10- \$1,082,628	Income per Books  \$689,347 284,174 5,644 15,257 4,702 141,887  -1- (\$837,534)  \$1,141,011 (\$837,534)  \$821,721 -2- (\$822,061)  149 1,318 119 29,834 -3- 812 38,924 -4- 4,570 3,880 53,956 -5- (654) \$949,901 (\$817,333)  \$21,198  -6- \$1,606 -7- (7) 30,904 -8- 3,762 71,038 -9- (500)  9,587 -10- (4,367) \$1,082,628 (\$816,840)

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### LACLEDE GAS COMPANY Summary of Normalization and Annualization Adjustments to Items of Income and Expense Year Ended September 30, 2006

Adjustment Number	Increase	Decrease
1. Operating Revenues:		
a. Adjust revenues for weather. (Krieger)	5,364	
b. Adjust revenues for weather - large volume and transportation. (Krieger)	37	
c. Adjust revenues for firm sales service load changes. (Krieger)		68
d. Adjust revenues for firm transportation and sales service load changes. (Krieger)		75
e. Adjust revenues for basic transportation and sales service load changes. (Krieger)		337
f. Adjust revenues for interruptible sales service load changes. (Krieger)	8	
g. Adjust basic transportation revenues to a normalized level of unauthorized use charges. (Krieger)	67	
h. Adjust revenues to a normalized level of demand charges. (Krieger)		11
<ul> <li>i. Adjust revenues for the effect of the unrealized portion of customer changes through March, 2007. (Krieger)</li> </ul>	824	
<ul> <li>j. Adjust revenues to remove Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge revenues. (Krieger)</li> </ul>		617
<ul> <li>k. Adjust 12 months ended September 30, 2006 to billed basis revenues. (Krieger)</li> </ul>		2,491
<ol> <li>Adjust 12 months ended September 30, 2006 for off-system sales and capacity release revenues. (Krieger)</li> </ol>		139,501
<ul> <li>m. Adjust revenues for Insulation Financing and EnergyWise program interest income. (DeWitte)</li> </ul>	60	
n. Adjust revenues to remove billed gas costs. (Krieger)		701,315
o. Annualization of general rate increase. (Krieger)	235	
p. Annualization and tariff rate adjustment for Fidelity revenues. (Krieger)	286	
Total Adjustment to Operating Revenues		\$837,534

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### LACLEDE GAS COMPANY

### Summary of Normalization and Annualization Adjustments to Items of Income and Expense Year Ended September 30, 2006

Adjı <u>Nun</u>	ustment nber	Increase	Decrease
2.	Natural Gas Supply Expense:		
a.	Adjust 12 months ended September 30, 2006 to billed basis gas costs. (Krieger)		2,552
b.	Adjust 12 months ended September 30, 2006 for off system sales. (Krieger)		124,038
c.	Adjust to remove billed gas costs. (Krieger)  Total Adjustments to Natural Gas Supply Expense		\$822,061
3.	Distribution Expenses:		
a.	Adjust for increase in service initiation fee rate. (Buck)		531
b.	Adjust for reduction in number of service initiation fees. (Fallert)	1,343	
	Total Adjustment to Distribution Expenses	\$812	
4.	Customer Accounts Expenses:		
a.	Adjust the provision for uncollectible accounts. (Fallert)		1,679
b.	Adjust for interest on customer deposits. (DeWitte)	1,073	
c.	Adjust for cost of bill redesign. (Buck)	814	
d.	Adjust for AMR meter reading costs. (Fallert)	4,895	
e. Adjust for increase in reconnection fee. (Bu Total Adjustment to Customer Accoun Expenses	Adjust for increase in reconnection fee. (Buck)		533
	·	\$4,570	
5.	Administrative and General Expenses:		
a.	Adjust pension expense to pro-forma levels. (Fallert)	\$957	
b.	Adjust FAS 106 expense to Fiscal 2007 levels based on current accounting policy. (Fallert)		681

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### LACLEDE GAS COMPANY

### Summary of Normalization and Annualization Adjustments to Items of Income and Expense Year Ended September 30, 2006

Adjustment Number	Increase	<u>Decrease</u>
c. Adjust for increased 401(k) expense. (Fallert)	57	
d. Adjust for dental insurance. (DeWitte)	6	
e. Adjust for vision care. (DeWitte)	12	
f. Adjust for increased Missouri Public Service Commission assessment. (DeWitte)	46	
g. Adjust for rent. (DeWitte)	3	
<ul> <li>h. Adjust injuries and damages provision to a pro-forma payments basis. (Buck)</li> </ul>	429	
i. Adjust for rate case expenses. (DeWitte)		8
j. Adjust for elimination of Equity Compensation. (Fallert)		949
k. Adjust for elimination of dues and other expenses. (Buck)		602
Adjust for directors' fees. (Fallert)	76	
Total Adjustments to Administrative and General Expenses		\$654
6. Wages and Salaries Applicable to Operation and Maintenance:		
Adjust wages and salaries to normalized levels. (Fallert)	\$1,606	

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# LACLEDE GAS COMPANY Summary of Normalization and Annualization

Adjustments to Items of Income and Expense Year Ended September 30, 2006

(Thousands of Dollars) Adjustment <u>Increase</u> <u>Decrease</u> Number 7. Miscellaneous Expense Adjustments: a. Adjust for allocation of merchandising salaries \$7 and expense to non-utility operations. (Fallert) Total Miscellaneous \$7 Adjustments 8. Depreciation and Amortization Expenses: Adjust for unrealized portion of expenses to reflect additional utility plant in service at March 31, 2007 at current depreciation rates. 3,151 a. Depreciation (Krieger) 817 b. Amortization (Krieger) 206 c. Adjust for actual cost of removal as an item of expense. (Krieger) Total Adjustments to Depreciation \$3,762 and Amortization Expenses

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# LACLEDE GAS COMPANY Summary of Normalization and Annualization Adjustments to Items of Income and Expense Year Ended September 30, 2006

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Adjustment Number	<u>Increase</u>	Decrease
9. Taxes Other Than Income Taxes:		
<ul> <li>Adjust Property Taxes and Manufacturers         License expense to Calendar 2006 actuals and         for the unrealized portion applicable to         increased net utility plant at March 31, 2007. (Fallert)     </li> </ul>		989
b. Adjust FICA Tax to reflect liability for normalized wages and salaries. (Fallert)	89	
c. Adjust Unemployment Taxes for increased wages and salaries. (Fallert)	82	
d. Adjust for City of St. Louis Payroll Expense Tax on increased wages and salaries. (Fallert)	4	
e. Adjust for the effect of gross receipts tax related to timing differences. (Krieger)	363	
f. Adjust Missouri Franchise Tax Expense. (Fallert)		49
Total Adjustments to Taxes Other Than Income Taxes		\$500
10. Income Taxes:		
Adjust Federal, State, and City Earnings income taxes for the effect of adjustments to revenues and expenses. (Fallert)		\$4,367

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# <u>LACLEDE GAS COMPANY</u> Calculation of Taxable Income For Utility Operations

<u>Description</u>	(Thousands	of Dollars)
Operating Revenues		\$303,477
Operating Expenses		(260,569)
Net operating income before income taxes		\$42,908
Add:		
Contributions in aid of construction	\$1,678	
Miscellaneous non-deductible expenses	577_	
Total additions		2,255
Deduct:		
Administrative and general expenses capitalized	(\$8,176)	
Tax depreciation in excess of book depreciation	(2,372)	
Deductible software expenses	(499)	
Transfer of services	(685)	
Deductible cost of removal	(1,809)	
Bond premium net	106	
Deductible interest	(23,427)	
Total deductions		(36,862)
Taxable income		\$8,301

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### LACLEDE GAS COMPANY

Calculation of Taxable Income For Utility Operations

Description	(Thousands of Dollars)		
City income tax			
Taxable income	\$8,301		
City income tax rate	0.40%		
	\$33		
City income tax credit	(8)		
Total City income tax	\$25		
State income tax			
Taxable income	\$8,301		
Less: City income tax	(25)		
Federal income tax	(1,380)		
Bonus depreciation	(627)		
State taxable income	\$6,270		
State income tax rate	6.25%		
State income tax	\$392		
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Federal income tax			
Taxable income	\$8,301		
Less: City income tax	(25)		
State income tax	(392)		
Federal taxable income	\$7,885		
Federal income tax rate	35.0%		
Federal income tax	\$2,760		

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# LACLEDE GAS COMPANY Taxes Chargeable to Operations

<u>Description</u>	(Thousands of Dollars)
Current provision Federal	\$2,760
State	392
City  Total current provision	<u>25</u> \$3,177
Deferred income tax provision	2,280
Investment tax credit amortization	(237)
Total income taxes	\$5,220

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# Rate of Return on Original Cost Rate Base And Related Return on Common Equity (Thousands of Dollars)

Rate of Return at Proposed Rates on Original Cost Rate Base Normalized Utility Operating Income (Section C, Sch. 1) Proposed Rate Increase		\$44,862	\$37,689
Less: Income Taxes Associated with Increased Revenues Increase in Utility Operating Income from Proposed Rate Increase	ate Increase	17,332	27,530
Pro Forma Utility Operating Income at Proposed Rates	10		65,219
Original Cost Rate Base (Section A, Sch. 1)			701,420
Rate of Return at Proposed Rates on Original Cost Rate Base	te Base		9.298%
Related Return on Common Equity	Capitalization Ratios (%) (Section B, Sch. 1, P. 1)	Cost (%)	Weighted Cost (%)
Long Term Debt Short Term Debt Preferred Stock Subtotal	49.2% 0.0% 0.1%	6.78% 0.00% 4.93%	3.336% 0.000% 0.005% 3.341%
Common Equity	50.7%	11.75%	5.957%
Rate of Return at Proposed Rate on Original Cost Rate Base			9.298%

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