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Missouri Public Service Commission

RE: Case No. GO-2000-395 - Laclede Gas Company's Gas Supply Incentive Plan

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of a STAFF RECOMMENDATION.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's)	
Gas Supply Incentive Plan (GSIP II))	Case No. GO-2000-395

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff ("Staff") of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") and for its Recommendation, respectfully states as follows:

1. In the attached Memorandum, which is labeled as Appendix A, the Staff recommends that the Commission grant approval of the following tariff sheets filed by Laclede Gas Company ("Laclede"):

P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated

Fourth Revised Sheet No. 28-a, Canceling Third Revised Sheet No. 28-a Second Revised Sheet No. 28-b, Canceling First Revised Sheet No. 28-b

2. The Staff has examined the tariff filing and believes that it complies with the Commission's June 8, 2000 Order in this case, wherein the Commission approved a Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement ("Stipulation") and ordered the filing by June 19, 2000 of tariff sheets consistent with the approved Stipulation.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth in its attached Memorandum, Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order approving Laclede's tariff sheets, as identified herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this 3rd day of July 2000.

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File.

Case No. GO-2000-395, File No. 200001164, Laclede Gas Company

FROM:

Mike Straub, Assistant Manager, Gas - Tariffs/Rate Design, Project Coordinator

Kim Elvington, Regulatory Economist I

Project Coordinator/Date

General Counsel's Office/Date

SUBJECT:

Staff Recommendation on Tariff Sheets Filed to Comply with the Commission's

Order Issued June 8, 2000.

DATE:

June 30, 2000

On June 13, 2000, Laclede Gas Company (Laclede or Company) of St. Louis, Missouri filed tariff sheets with an effective date of July 14, 2000. The purpose of this filing is to comply with the Missouri Public Service Commission's (Commission) ORDER (Order), issued on June 8, 2000, approving the Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement (Stipulation and Agreement) of April 20, 2000, in Case No. GO-2000-395. The Commission's Order granted Laclede's request to extend the Company's Gas Supply Incentive Plan (GISP or Plan) from October 1, 2000, through September 30, 2001.

The Commission Staff (Staff) has reviewed the Company's tariff sheets filed June 13, 2000, and is of the opinion that they are substantially the same as the tariff sheets identified as Attatchment 1 of the Stipulation and Agreement. In addition, Staff has determined that the tariff sheets filed are in compliance with the Commission's Order issued on June 8, 2000. Staff is unaware of any issue currently pending before the Commission that affects or is affected by this filing. Therefore, Staff recommends that the following tariff sheets filed on June 13, 2000, be approved.

P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated

Fourth Revised Sheet No. 28-a, Cancelling Third Revised Sheet No. 28-a Second Revised Sheet No. 28-b, Cancelling First Revised Sheet No. 28-b

Service List for Case No. GO-2000-395 Revised: July 3, 2000

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