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Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
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Missouri Public Service Commission
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Jefferson City, MO 65101

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Service Commission

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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 Eightieth Revised Sheet No. 29, which is applicable to all divisions of Laclede Gas Company ("Company"). This revised tariff sheet, which has an issue date of April 3, 2000 and an effective date of April 18, 2000, reflects the scheduled Summer Purchased Gas Adjustment ("PGA") of the Company as provided by Sheet Nos. 15 through 28-g of the Company's tariff. Such revised PGA rates, which will be made effective on a pro-rata basis, reflect only a minor change to the Company's firm Current Purchased Gas Adjustment ("CPGA") factor.

For a typical residential customer who heats with natural gas, the net impact of the PGA change reflected herein, when compared to existing rates, will result in virtually no change in such customer's average monthly bill during the April through October period.

The natural gas CPGA factors proposed herein reflect a commodity-related cost of gas for the upcoming summer season that is identical to the cost underlying the Company's existing Winter PGA factors. Such cost takes into consideration the relatively high gas prices (compared to historical summer levels) that are expected to prevail this summer. The proposed factors are less than those that could be filed under the Company's tariff. The actual commodity cost that the Company will incur for gas supplies purchased in April 2000 is greater than the cost to be recovered under the proposed factors. The slight reduction in the Company's firm CPGA factor is attributable to the reduced Gas Research Institute reservation surcharge that became effective January 1, 2000.

As provided by the Company's tariff, the revised natural gas CPGA factors do not apply to the Company's Large Volume Transportation and Sales Service ("LVTSS") customers. Unlike the CPGA for all other customers, the CPGA for LVTSS 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.

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The new L.P. Current PGA factor is filed in accordance with the Purchased L.P. Gas Adjustment Clause set forth in Sheet Nos. 8 and 8-a of the Company's tariff and reflects the average price of L.P. gas purchased by the Company in March 2000.

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 tariff filing, one of which is for your convenience in acknowledging your receipt thereof.

Sincerely,



Michael T. Cline
Director - Tariff and Rate Administration

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Enclosures

CC: Office of the Public Counsel

Laclede Gas Company

Name of Issuing Corporation or Municipality

For

Refer to Sheet No. 1

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>UFA</u>	<u>Refund</u>	<u>Total Adjustment</u>
Firm Other Than LVTSS	37.091¢	(.975¢)	(0.000¢)	(.224¢)	35.892¢
LVTSS	*	2.240¢	-	(.224¢)	*
Seas. & Int.	30.092¢	1.740¢	(0.000¢)	(0.000¢)	31.832¢
L.P.	63.373¢	3.243¢	-	-	66.616¢

Firm Other Than LVTSS sales are rendered under General Service Rate (Sheet No. 2), the Large Volume Service Rate (Sheet No. 5), the Unmetered Gas Light Service Rate (Sheet No. 9), Vehicular Fuel Rate (Sheet No. 11) and all special contracts for firm service.

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

Seasonal and Interruptible sales are rendered under the Seasonal Air Conditioning Service Rate (Sheet No. 4), 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	-	4.967¢	-	.477¢	.000¢
Basic - Firm Sales Prior to 11/15/99	-	-	-	.000¢	.000¢
Basic - Other	-	-	-	.000¢	(.157¢)

DATE OF ISSUE

April 3, 2000

Month Day Year

DATE EFFECTIVE

April 18, 2000

Month Day Year

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LACLEDE GAS COMPANY
COMPUTATION OF CURRENT PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT FACTORS
EFFECTIVE APRIL 18, 2000

			GAS COST PER THERM				
<u>GAS COST COMPONENT</u>			<u>ANNUALIZED COST</u>	<u>VOLUMES (THERMS)</u>		<u>FIRM- OTHER THAN LVTSS</u>	<u>SEASONAL & INTERRUPTIBLE</u>
GAS SUPPLY DEMAND			\$5,729,898	842,766,046		\$0.00680	\$0.00000
CAPACITY RESERVATION			\$56,963,254	917,430,841	Avg cost \$0.06209	\$0.06319 (1)	\$0.00000
COMMODITY RELATED CHARGES	Unit Cost per MMBtu						
COMMODITY	\$2.9206						
GRI SURCHARGE	\$0.0072	Standard Deliveries					
ANNUAL CHARGE ADJUSTMENT	\$0.0022	To Laclede					
S/T	<u>\$2.9300</u>	87,382,092 MMBtu	\$256,029,036	851,443,420		0.30070	0.30070
FIXED TAKE-OR-PAY RELATED CHARGES	0						
S/T	<u>\$0</u>	X 12	\$0	1,041,611,868		0.00000	0.00000
OTHER NON-COMMODITY-RELATED COSTS			<u>\$190,320</u>	851,443,420		<u>0.00022</u>	<u>0.00022</u>
TOTAL			\$318,912,508			<u>\$0.37091</u>	<u>\$0.30092</u>

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Avg capacity reservation charge per therm	\$0.06209
Firm transportation factor per Sheet No. 16	80%
Firm transportation capacity reservation charge per ther	\$0.04967
Annual firm transportation volumes	74,664,795
Capacity reservation charges allocated to firm transportat	\$3,708,600
Total capacity reservation charges	\$56,963,254
Capacity reservation charges allocated to firm sales	\$53,254,654
Annual firm sales volumes	842,766,046
Firm sales capacity reservation charge per therm	\$0.06319