



MISSOURI GAS ENERGY



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Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
Governor Office Building
200 Madison Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed herewith for filing with the Missouri Public Service Commission is a revised tariff sheet, P.S.C. MO. No. 6, Seventh Revised Sheet No. 24.3 of the Missouri Gas Energy ("MGE") operating division of Laclede Gas Company ("Company"). This revised tariff sheet, which has an issue date of May 17, 2017, and an effective date of June 1, 2017, reflects the Purchased Gas Adjustment ("PGA") of the Company as provided by Sheet No. 15 of MGE's tariff. Such revised PGA rates, which will be made effective on a pro-rata basis, include changes to both the Current Cost of Gas (C.C.G.) and the Actual Cost Adjustment ("ACA") factors for natural gas customers.

In November 2016, the underlying charge for natural gas was set at \$0.49492 per Ccf for MGE residential customers. During the peak winter months of 2016-2017 the market price of natural gas steadily increased, although the rate paid by customers did not change. Missouri also experienced one of the warmest winters on record, which limited the recovery of gas supply costs already paid for by the company. As a result, the Company's underlying charge for natural gas for firm sales customers will increase to \$0.56934 per Ccf. Please note that the Company is contemporaneously providing to the Staff under separate cover a highly confidential PGA Summary that is intended to explain the major elements responsible for the change in the Company's PGA rates.

Compared to last November, the change in natural gas PGA rates provided herein will increase the average monthly natural gas bill of the typical residential customer through October 2017 by \$1.28 per month, or 4.00% compared to existing rates. Such bill impacts may be less or more depending on the effect of weather and other factors on customer usage.

Also, please note that the instant filing is unlikely to be contested. Instead, the Commission generally approves PGA filings on an interim basis, subject to future audit by the Staff.



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Sincerely,

/s/ Michael R. Noack

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