BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION STATE OF MISSOURI

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission,))
Complainant,)
v.) <u>Case No. GC-2011-0098</u>
Laclede Gas Company et al.,)
Respondents)

STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and for its monthly status report pursuant to the Commission's Order of August 5, 2011, hereby reports to the Commission that the parties continue to meet at regular intervals to negotiate a resolution of the issues herein. Progress continues to be made.

WHEREFORE, Staff prays that the Commission will accept its Status Report.

Respectfully submitted,

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s/ Kevin A. Thompson