STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 4th day of November, 2015.

In the Matter of) File No. GR-2015-0201 Laclede Gas Company's PGA Filing) Tracking No. YG-2016-0109

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

Issue Date: November 4, 2015 Effective Date: November 6, 2015

On October 28, 2015, Laclede Gas Company ("Laclede") filed a tariff sheet proposed to become effective November 13, 2015, with a motion for expedited treatment seeking an effective date of November 6, 2015. The tariff sheet reflects changes in Laclede's Purchased Gas Adjustment ("PGA") as a result of estimated changes in the cost of natural gas. Pursuant to the filing, the total residential general winter only PGA rate will decrease to \$0.22004 per therm for the first 30 therms from the current PGA rate of \$0.31435 per therm. For all therms in excess of the first 30 therms, this PGA rate will decrease to \$.46415 per therm from the current PGA rate of \$.55846 per therm. These changes represent a decrease of \$0.09431 per therm. The LPPGA will decrease from \$3.43927 per gallon to \$.89671 per gallon. This is a decrease of \$2.54256 per gallon.

The Commission's Staff filed its recommendation on November 3, 2015. Staff recommends the rates be approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, and pending final Commission decisions in the actions that addresses Laclede's PGA factors in actual cost adjustment ("ACA") filings. The actions are as follows.

- This File No. GR-2015-0201, which address Laclede's PGA factors in the 2014-2015 ACA filings;
- File No. GR-2014-0231, which addresses Laclede's PGA factors in the 2013-2014 ACA filings.

The filing also reflects adjustments to the Company's ACA factors that may require adjustments to the ACA account balance, so Staff asks to submit its results and recommendations on ACA filing to the Commission by December 16, 2016. Therefore, any rate change shall be on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final decisions in File Nos. GR-2015-0201 and GR-2014-0231. Also on November 3, 2015, the Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC") filed a response to the recommendation stating that OPC has no objection to the expedited approval of the tariff.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed tariff sheet and Staff's recommendation. The Commission finds that the proposed tariff sheet conforms to Laclede's Commission-approved PGA Clause. In addition, because Laclede's PGA Clause allows for PGA change filings to take effect on 10 days' notice, good cause has been shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 2000, to permit the tariff to become effective on less than 30 days' notice. The Commission concludes that the proposed tariff sheet should be approved to become effective on November 6, 2015, on an interim basis as described above.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The motion for expedited treatment is granted.
- 2. The proposed tariff sheet filed on October 28, 2015 by Laclede Gas Company, assigned tracking no. YG-2016-0109 and bearing an effective date of

November 13, 2015, is approved on an interim basis, to become effective on an expedited basis on November 6, 2015, as described in the body of this order. The tariff sheet approved is:

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

Two Hundred and Twenty-Fourth Revised Sheet No. 29, Cancelling Two Hundred and Twenty-Third Revised Sheet No. 29

- 3. Staff's Procurement Analysis Unit shall file the results of its Actual Cost Adjustment review no later than December 16, 2016.
 - 4. This order shall become effective on November 6, 2015.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Hall, Chm., Stoll, Kenney, Rupp, and Coleman, CC., concur.

Jordan, Senior Regulatory Law Judge