#### STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2014.

In the Matter of the Verified Application and Petition of Laclede Gas Company to Change its Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge File No. GO-2014-0212 Tarff File No. YG-2014-0302 Tariff File No. YG-2014-0376

## ORDER APPROVING UNANIMOUS STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT, ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT AND ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

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Issue Date: April 2, 2014

Effective Date: April 12, 2014

On January 17, 2014<sup>1,</sup> Laclede Gas Company ("Laclede") filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission under Sections 393.1009, 393.1012 and 393.1015, RSMo Cum. Supp. 2013, requesting that the Commission authorize the company to establish an Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge ("ISRS") for numerous gas utility plant projects. The Commission issued notice of the application on January 21, giving potential intervenors until February 10 to request intervention. The Commission received no intervention requests.

The Commission's Staff filed its recommendation regarding Laclede's ISRS application on March 18. Staff reported it had reviewed that application and had examined the supporting documentation that the company submitted along with its application. Staff recalculated the amount Laclede should be allowed to recover through its ISRS and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All calendar references are to 2014 unless otherwise indicated.

concluded that Laclede should be allowed to recover incremental ISRS surcharge revenues of \$7,062,051.

On March 27, the Office of the Public Counsel requested a hearing regarding Laclede's ISRS revisions. On March 28, Laclede, Staff, and Public Counsel filed a unanimous stipulation and agreement to resolve all matters in dispute.

The parties agreed the Commission should approve a revised tariff sheet that carries an effective date of April 28 (Tariff Tracking No. YG-2014-0376). Laclede also agreed to provide additional documentation in all future ISRS applications and agreed not to include expenses associated with certain specified project numbers. Finally, Laclede requested that the Commission approve the revised tariff sheet on an expedited basis to allow it to take effect on April 12.

Based on the Commission's impartial and independent review of Laclede's application Staff's recommendation, and the unanimous stipulation and agreement of the parties, the Commission finds that MGE's application complies with Sections 393.1009 to 393.1015, RSMo. The Commission concludes that Laclede shall be permitted to amend its ISRS to recover ISRS incremental surcharge revenues as provided in the tariff it submitted on March 28.

Since the tariff Laclede submitted complies with the stipulation and agreement, the Commission will approve that tariff to be effective on April 12, as requested by Laclede. Also, based on the unanimous stipulation and agreement, the Commission finds good cause to make this order effective on April 12 to match the effective date of the agreedupon tariff.

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## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The unanimous stipulation and agreement filed on March 28, 2014 is approved and the signatories are ordered to comply with the terms of that document.

2. Laclede Gas Company is authorized to amend its Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge sufficient to recover incremental ISRS revenues as specified in the unanimous stipulation and agreement.

3. The motion for expedited treatment filed by Laclede Gas Company is granted.

4. The tariff sheet filed by Laclede Gas Company on January 17, 2014, and assigned Tariff Tracking No. YG-2014-0302, is rejected.

5. The tariff sheet filed by Laclede Gas Company on March 28, 2014, and assigned Tariff Tracking No. YG-2014-0376 is approved to be effective on April 12, 2014. The sheet approved is:

#### P.S.C. MO No. 5 Consolidated Twenty-Second Revised Sheet No. 12, CANCELLING Twenty-First Revised Sheet No. 12

- 6. This order shall become effective on April 12, 2014.
- 7. This file shall be closed on April 13, 2014.



# BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

R. Kenney, Chm., Stoll, W. Kenney, and Hall, CC., concur.

Pridgin, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge