

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of Laclede Electric)	
Cooperative and the City of St. Robert, Missouri, for)	
Approval of a Written Territorial Agreement)	
Designating the Boundaries of Each Electric Service)	Case No. EO-2005-0391
Supplier Within the Hickory Valley Subdivision of)	
the City of St. Robert, Pulaski County, Missouri.)	

STAFF SUGGESTIONS IN SUPPORT OF STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

Comes now the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and for its Suggestions In Support Of Stipulation And Agreement respectfully states as follows:

1. On July 6, 2005, the Staff filed its Staff Recommendation requesting that the Commission approve the Territorial Agreement between Laclede Electric Cooperative (Laclede) and the City of St. Robert, Missouri (St. Robert). The Staff believes that the situation addressed by the Joint Application and the requested relief is very straightforward, and there is little that these Suggestions In Support could add that is not already addressed in the Stipulation And Agreement.

2. On this date, August 11, 2005, the Staff, Laclede and St. Robert filed a Stipulation And Agreement. The Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel) has indicated that it does not object to the Joint Application or the Stipulation And Agreement and will not request a hearing. The Staff does not believe that a “live” evidentiary hearing is required for the reasons set out in the Stipulation And Agreement.

3. The Staff notes that in the last paragraph on page 3 of the Staff Recommendation of Daniel I. Beck, filed on July 6, 2005, reference is made to the “Osage” rural electric

cooperative. The reference was intended to be and should be to the “Laclede” electric cooperative.

WHEREFORE, the Staff submits the instant Staff Suggestions In Support Of Stipulation And Agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to all counsel of record this 11th day of August 2005.

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