

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY**

May 16, 2001

CASE NO: GT-2001-329

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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,



**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

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

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's	)	
Tariff Filing to Implement an Experimental	)	
Fixed Price Plan and Other Modifications	)	<u>Case No. GT-2001-329</u>
to Its Gas Supply Incentive Plan	)	

ORDER SHORTENING TIME IN WHICH TO RESPOND

On May 14, 2001, the Office of the Public Counsel filed a Request for Leave to File Surrebuttal Testimony and Motion for Expedited Treatment. Public Counsel asked that the Commission rule on its motion no later than May 22. On May 15, the Staff of the Commission filed a pleading entitled Motion for Leave to Withdraw Highly Confidential Schedule and Substitute NP Schedule and Testimony. 4 CSR 240-2.080(16) provides that parties are allowed not more than ten days in which to respond to any pleading unless otherwise ordered by the Commission. So that it may deal with these matters expeditiously, the Commission will shorten the time allowed for the filing of a response to the pleadings filed by Public Counsel and Staff.

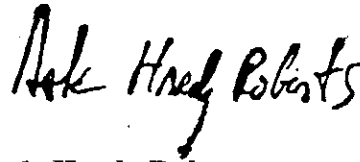
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That any party wishing to respond to Public Counsel's Request for Leave to File Surrebuttal Testimony and Motion for Expedited Treatment shall do so on or before May 18, 2001.

2. That any party wishing to respond to Staff's Motion for Leave to Withdraw Highly Confidential Schedule and Substitute NP schedule and Testimony shall do so on or before May 18, 2001.

3. That this order shall become effective on May 18, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized font.

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Morris L. Woodruff, Senior Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 16th day of May, 2001.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and
I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,
Missouri, this 16th day of May 2001.



Dale Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge