STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY March 12, 2002

CASE NO: GR-2001-387

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

Sincerely,

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

DEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's Purchased Gas Adjustment Tariff Revisions to be Reviewed in Its 2000-2001 Actual Cost Adjustment)))	Case No. GR-2001-387
In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's Purchased Gas Adjustment Factors to be Reviewed in Its 1999-2000 Actual Cost Adjustment)))	Case No. GR-2000-622

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

On March 8, 2002, Laclede Gas Company issued a tariff that would terminate the Actual Cost Adjustment factor applicable to customers who purchase gas from Laclede under the Large Volume Transportation and Sales Service rate. Along with its tariff, Laclede filed a Motion for Expedited Treatment that requested that the tariff change be permitted to go into effect on March 22, 2002. Laclede indicates that larger than expected sales under the Large Volume Transportation and Sales Service rate have already exhausted the ACA credit that was reflected in that rate. A substantial under-recovery of gas costs will result if the tariff is not revised.

If the Commission is to consider Laclede's tariff revision by the requested effective date, it must have a prompt recommendation from its Staff.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That not later than March 18, 2002, the Staff of the Commission shall file a recommendation regarding the revised tariffs filed by Laclede Gas Company.

- 2. That any other party that wishes to file a recommendation regarding the revised tariffs filed by Laclede Gas Company may do so not later than March 18, 2002.
 - 3. That this order shall become effective on March 18, 2002.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Morris L. Woodruff, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo Supp. 2001.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 12th day of March, 2002.

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 12th day of March 2002.

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge