OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Sheila Bruton,)
Complainant,)
V.) <u>Case No. GC-2006-0502</u>
Laclede Gas Company,)
Respondent.)

NOTICE OF COMPLAINT

Issue Date: June 27, 2006

Laclede Gas Company Legal Department 723 Laclede Station St. Louis, Missouri 63119 CERTIFIED MAIL

On June 26, 2006, Sheila Bruton filed a complaint with the Commission against Laclede Gas Company. A copy of the complaint is enclosed. Under Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.070, Laclede has 30 days from the date of this notice to file an answer or to file notification that the complaint has been satisfied. Since this notice is being issued on June 27, Laclede's response is due by July 27, 2006.

In the alternative, the Respondent may file a written request that the complaint be referred to a neutral third-party mediator for voluntary mediation of the complaint. Upon receipt of a request for mediation, the 30-day time period shall be tolled while the Commission ascertains whether the Complainant is also willing to submit to voluntary mediation. If the Complainant agrees to mediation, the time period within which an answer is due shall be suspended pending the resolution of the mediation process. Additional information regarding the mediation process is enclosed.

If the Complainant declines the opportunity to seek mediation, the Respondent will be notified in writing that the tolling has ceased and will also be notified of the date by which an answer or notice of satisfaction must be filed. That period will usually be the remainder of the original 30-day period.

All pleadings (the answer, the notice of satisfaction of complaint or request for mediation) shall be mailed to:

Secretary of the Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0360

A copy shall be served upon the Complainant at the Complainant's address as listed within the enclosed complaint. A copy of this notice has been mailed to the Complainant.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 27th day of June, 2006.

Stearley, Regulatory Law Judge

Copy to: Sheila Bruton

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University City, MO 63130