

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

Office of the Public Counsel,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	<u>File No. GC-2016-0297</u>
)	
Laclede Gas Company and)	
Missouri Gas Energy)	
)	
Respondents.)	

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: June 1, 2016

Effective Date: June 1, 2016

On April 27, 2016¹, the Office of the Public Counsel (“OPC”) filed a complaint with the Missouri Public Service Commission against Laclede Gas Company (“Laclede”) and Missouri Gas Energy (“MGE”) (collectively, “Respondents”). The complaint alleges that Respondent’s rates are excessive and should be reduced.

On May 31, Respondents filed an answer, a motion to dismiss, and an objection to an application to intervene filed by Consumers Council of Missouri. The Commission will order its Staff to respond and will permit other parties to also respond.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Staff of the Commission shall respond to Respondents’ May 31, 2016 pleadings no later than June 14, 2016.

¹ Calendar references are to 2016.

2. Any other party who wishes to respond shall do so no later than June 14, 2016.

3. This order shall be effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Ronald D. Pridgin, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 1st day of June, 2016.

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 1st day of June 2016.**




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

June 1, 2016

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**Missouri Public Service
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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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