

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Lynne Shewmaker,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	<u>Case No. GC-2006-0549</u>
)	
Laclede Gas Company,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN WHICH TO FILE BRIEF

Issue Date: July 24, 2007

Effective Date: July 24, 2007

The Commission held an evidentiary hearing in this case on June 29, 2007. After receipt of the transcript from the hearing, the Commission permitted Ms. Shewmaker, and ordered the remaining parties, to file briefs no later than July 25, 2007.

On July 23, the Staff of the Commission filed a Motion for Extension of Time Within Which to File Brief. Staff explained that it requested an extension of time to August 1 due to the press of business; namely, an imminent hearing concerning the collapse of AmerenUE's Taum Sauk Mountain reservoir. Laclede also filed a pleading on July 23, supporting Staff's motion, and representing that Laclede had consulted with Ms. Shewmaker, who also supports the motion.

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(15) allows parties ten days to respond to motions. However, in light of the current deadline for briefs being July 25, and in light of the lack of objection to Staff's motion, the Commission will dispense with the ten-day

requirement, and take up Staff's motion unopposed. The Commission finds Staff's motion to be reasonable, and will grant it.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Motion for Extension of Time Within Which to File Brief filed by the Staff of the Commission is granted.
2. Ms. Shewmaker may, and the remaining parties shall, file briefs no later than August 1, 2007.
3. This order shall become effective on July 24, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 24th day of July, 2007.