

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

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| In the Matter of the Complaint of |) | |
| Cesar M. Alba, |) | |
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| Complainant, |) | |
| |) | |
| v. |) | Case No. GC-2007-0445 |
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| Laclede Gas Company, |) | |
| |) | |
| Respondent. |) | |

STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND MEMORANDUM

COMES NOW the Staff and in Response to the Commission's Order Directing Filing of Staff Investigation, submits its Memorandum and recommendation in this case. In response to the Commission's Order Staff states:

1. On May 23, 2007, Cesar M. Alba (Complainant) filed his Complaint against Laclede Gas Company with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission).
2. On June 22, 2007, Laclede Gas Company filed its Answer to the Complaint.
3. On May 24, 2007, the Commission issued its order directing the Staff to file a report by June 28, 2007.
4. Subsequent to Staff's Motion for Extension of Time for Staff Report, the Commission issued an order on July 3, 2007 granting Staff's Motion for Extension of Time.
5. In accordance with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.070(10), the attached memorandum of the Staff, Attachment A, is designated Highly Confidential.

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Wherefore, the Staff requests that the Commission accept its memorandum in satisfaction of the Commission's order directing the Staff to investigate and file a report, and that the Commission adopt the recommendations of the Staff set forth in Attachment A.

Respectfully submitted,

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Staff Report - Attachment A

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In Its Entirety