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Missouri Public
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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Laclede Gas)
Company's Tariff to Revise Natural) Case No. GR-2002-356
Gas Rate Schedules.)

RESPONSE TO PARTIAL STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

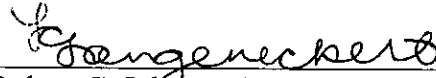
COMES NOW the Missouri Energy Group¹, an Intervenor in the above-referenced case ("MEG"), pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.115, and in response to the Partial Stipulation and Agreement filed on August 20, 2002, states as follows:

1. On August 20, 2002, Laclede Gas Company, the Missouri Public Service Commission Staff, and the Office of Public Counsel entered into a Partial Stipulation and Agreement (the "Agreement"). The Agreement resolves certain revenue-related issues but does not resolve certain rate design and other issues involved in the above-referenced case.
2. In response to the filing of the Agreement, the MEG states that it neither supports nor opposes the terms of the Agreement. Additionally, the MEG waives its right to a hearing on the matters specifically covered by the Agreement.

WHEREFORE, the MEG respectfully requests that the Commission accept this response to the filing of the Agreement.

¹ The Missouri Energy Group is an unincorporated association of four large-scale customers of Laclede, including Barnes-Jewish Hospital, Emerson Electric Company, SSM HealthCare and St. John's Mercy Health Care.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert C. Johnson", is written over a horizontal line.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.080 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, I hereby certify that I have this day caused a copy of the foregoing to be served on all persons on the official service list in Case No. GR-2002-356.

Dated at St. Louis, Missouri this 22nd day of August 2002.

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