BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Andrew and Naomi Topps,)	
Complainants,)	
V.) Case No. GC-2006-	-0450
Laclede Gas Co.,)	
Edelede Gas Co.,)	
Respondent.)	

PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), having consulted with counsel for Laclede, Rick Zucker, counsel for OPC, Marc Poston, and Andrea Topps on behalf of the Complainants, and proposes the following prodecural schedule for this pro se complaint.

- 1. Undersigned counsel maintains that this is a somewhat complicated and detailed case that has consumed many hours of analysis and discussion. With that in mind, Staff proposes that the Commission adopt a schedule as agreed herein.
- 2. The parties, other than the Complainants, will file prefile direct testimony, one round, with no rebuttal or surrebuttal, by December 7, 2006.
- 3. The Topps will not be required to prefile testimony, rather the Topps may testify in person or through their daughter, Andrea Topps, who has been involved with this case from the outset and has knowledge about the particulars of the account at issue.
- 4. The parties will file an Issues List and Position Statement by December 18, 2006. The parties agree that the Issues List and Position Statement does not bind the Complainants in

the issues they will present or the position they will take.

5. The hearing will be set on Thursday, December 21, 2006, at 10:00 a.m., which will accommodate the parties traveling from St. Louis to attend the hearing.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully recommends the Commission adopt the hearing schedule recommended above.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or emailed to all counsel of record this 26th day of October, 2006.

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