BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Laclede Gas Company to Change its Infrastructure System)	File No. GO-2016-0333
Replacement Surcharge in its Laclede Gas)	
Service Territory		
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In the Matter of the Application of Laclede Gas)	
Company to Change its Infrastructure System)	File No. GO-2016-0332
Replacement Surcharge in its Missouri Gas)	
Energy Service Territory		

RESPONSE TO ORDER DIRECTING FILING REGARDING TARIFFS

COMES NOW Laclede Gas Company ("Laclede"), on behalf of itself and its operating unit Missouri Gas Energy ("MGE"), and submits its response to the Commission's order directing Laclede to clarify the status of tariffs attached to its December 9 pleading. In support thereof, Laclede states as follows:

- 1. Laclede did not make a tariff filing in EFIS, and does not intend the tariff sheets attached to its December 9 pleading to go into effect on January 8, 2017.
- 2. Laclede's attachments were intended to be specimen 30 day tariff sheets indicating how those tariff sheets would look if a tariff filing had been made on December 9 in accordance with the recommended rates in Staff's Recommendations filed on November 29 in the referenced cases. The issue and effective dates were intended to be part of the specimen.
- 3. Laclede understands that placing dates on the specimen tariff sheets has caused some confusion as to whether the Company intended to trigger the running of time toward a tariff effective date. Laclede regrets the confusion and in the future will avoid placing sample dates, or any dates, on its specimen tariff sheets.

WHEREFORE, Laclede requests that the Commission accept this pleading in compliance with its order directing filing.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been e-mailed, this 14th day of December, 2016, to counsel for all parties of record.

/s/ Rick Zucker