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**RE: Case No. GR-2001-629**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of the **STAFF'S SUGGESTIONS CONCERNING TRUE-UP**.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
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In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's )  
Tariff to Revise Natural Gas Rate )  
Schedules. )

Case No. GR-2001-629

**STAFF'S SUGGESTIONS CONCERNING TRUE-UP**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and for its recommendation concerning the true-up period and the items to be considered for true-up as the result of a true up audit, states:

1. Staff concurs with the recommendation made by Laclede's in its July 2, 2001

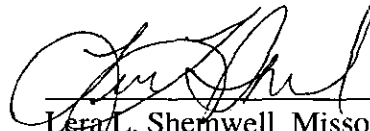
*Response to Staff's Suggestions to the Commission Regarding Scheduling* that certain items that will be known and measurable should be trued up through December 31, 2001.

2. Since Staff is in the early stages of its audit in this case, Staff has not determined which items should be included in the true up audit, but generally agrees that the items listed by Laclede in its July 2, 2001 filing should be considered for true up.

WHEREFORE the staff recommends that the Commission adopt the February 28, 2001, ending date for the test year, with update of that test year through July 31, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this 9th day of July, 2001.



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