

## MLaclede Gas

October 28, 2015

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Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
Governor Office Building
200 Madison Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed herewith for filing with the Missouri Public Service Commission is a revised tariff sheet, P.S.C. MO. No. 6, Fourth Revised Sheet No. 24.3 of the Missouri Gas Energy operating division of Laclede Gas Company ("Company"). This revised tariff sheet, which has an issue date of October 28, 2015, and an effective date of November 13, 2015, reflects the scheduled November Purchased Gas Adjustment ("PGA") of the Company as provided by Sheet No. 15 of the Company's tariff. Such revised PGA rates, which will be made effective on a pro-rata basis, include changes to both the Current Cost of Gas (C.C.G.) and the Actual Cost Adjustment ("ACA") factors for natural gas customers.

As a result of this filing, the Company's underlying charge for natural gas for firm sales customers will decrease from \$.53209 to \$.46224 per Ccf due to an expected reduction in the cost of gas the Company will use to serve its customers this coming winter. Also, please note that the Company is contemporaneously providing to the Staff under separate cover a highly confidential Executive Summary that is intended to explain the major elements responsible for the change in the Company's PGA rates.

The change in natural gas PGA rates provided herein will decrease the average monthly natural gas bill of the typical residential customer for the upcoming year over \$4.78 per month, or 7.3% compared to existing rates. Such bill impacts may be less or more depending on the effect of weather and other factors on customer usage. If the proposed PGA rates remain in effect for the entire winter, the natural gas bill of the typical residential heating customer will be nearly \$120 less for the November through March winter period compared to last year due to the lower rates. More importantly, the Company's rates will be down 48% from the peak level that rates reached during the winter of 2005-2006 and will be at their lowest level in 13 years.



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Even though the Company's tariff requires that the Company provide ten business days' notice before new PGA rates become effective, in order to expedite this rate reduction for customers, the Company is contemporaneously filing a *Motion For Expedited Treatment* in which it requests that the Commission approve the lower rates to be effective on November 6, 2015.

Also, please note that the instant filing is unlikely to be contested. Instead, the Commission generally approves PGA filings on an interim basis, subject to future audit by the Staff.

Sincerely,

/s/Michael R. Noack

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Enclosures

Laclede Gas Company Name of Issuing Corporation

For: All Missouri Gas Energy Service Areas Community, Town or City

## PURCHASED GAS COST ADJUSTMENT **PGA**

## X. <u>SUMMARY STATEMENT</u>

Customer <u>Class</u>	<u>C.C.G.</u>	A.C.A	<u>T.O.P.</u>	<u>T.C.</u>	P.G.A. <u>Rate</u>
Residential	\$0.47264	(\$0.01040)	\$0.00000	\$0.00000	\$0.46224
Small General Service	\$0.47264	(\$0.01040)	\$0.00000	\$0.00000	\$0.46224
Large General Service	\$0.47264	(\$0.01040)	\$0.00000	\$0.00000	\$0.46224
Unmetered Gas Light (1)	\$0.47264	(\$0.01040)	\$0.00000	\$0.00000	\$0.46224
Large Volume Sales (3)	\$0.47264	(\$0.01040)	\$0.00000	\$0.00000	\$0.46224
Large Volume Trans. (2)(4)					\$0.00000

- 1 Each Unmetered Gaslight Unit is equal to 15 Ccf.
- 2 Demand related purchase gas costs of \$.86783 per Ccf of contract demand and \$0.02853 per Ccf of daily demand for authorized sales in excess of the contract demand are directly chargeable to customers on this rate.
- 3 Applies to Sales Service only.
- 4 Firm transportation charges to be included in the monthly cash out reconciliation. Applies to Transportation Service, Intrastate Transportation Service and Whiteman Air Force Base.

DATE OF ISSUE October 28, 2015

Day

DATE EFFECTIVE

November 13, 2015

Year Day

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Month

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