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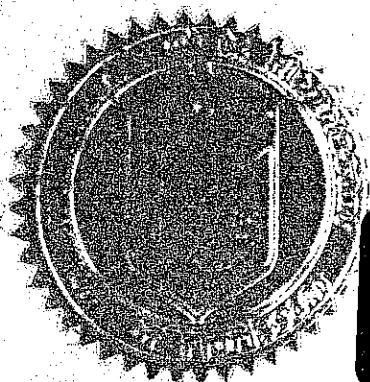
THE MAYOR

CITY OF FLORISSANT

- WHEREAS:** Laclede Gas Company is the provider of natural gas for both residential and commercial consumers in City of Florissant; and
- WHEREAS:** Laclede Gas Company has a monopoly on providing said natural gas service to consumers in the City of Florissant; and
- WHEREAS:** Laclede Gas Company has, in the past, been more focused on customer service, as demonstrated by its safety inspections, annual reads, testing of meters, etc., and
- WHEREAS:** There have been various explosions within Laclede Gas Company's distribution system which were caused by faulty natural gas facilities; and
- WHEREAS:** Laclede Gas employees have frequently detected potentially dangerous gas appliances and gas lines while making safety inspections, annual reads, testing of meters, etc.; and
- WHEREAS:** Laclede Gas Company has recently requested that the Missouri Public Service Commission relieve Laclede Gas Company of some of its obligations to conduct inspections, perform meter sampling, annual reads, hot meter changes, etc.; and
- WHEREAS:** These proposed changes will harm consumers by reducing annual inspections, increasing the frequency of estimated readings, etc.; and
- WHEREAS:** These proposed changes will negatively affect the safety of consumers, their homes and businesses and the overall community of the City of Florissant.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBERT G. LOWERY, SR., MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FLORISSANT, MISSOURI, do oppose the regulatory changes that Laclede Gas has sought before the Missouri Public Service Commission and urges the Missouri Public Service Commission to reject the request from Laclede Gas Company for relief from its obligations to Missouri consumers by sending a certified copy of this resolution to the Missouri Service Commission.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF
I hereunto set my hand
and cause to be affixed
the Seal of the City of
Florissant, Missouri,
this 9th day of January 2006.



Robert G. Lowery, Sr.
Mayor

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL AS A WHOLE
JANUARY 9, 2006

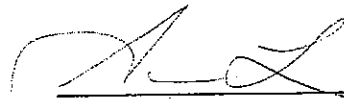
RESOLUTION NO. 911

**RESOLUTION OF THE FLORISSANT CITY COUNCIL OPPOSING THE
REGULATORY CHANGES THAT LACLEDE GAS HAS SOUGHT BEFORE
THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.**

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Passed and resolved this 9th of January, 2006.

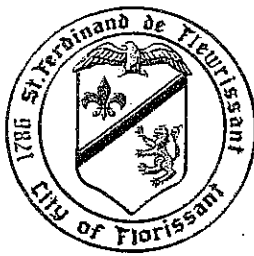


Tim Lee
President of the Council

ATTEST



Karen Goodwin-Raftery, City Clerk



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NEWSLETTER / PRESS RELEASE

From the Office of the Mayor

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

JANUARY 17, 2006

"Lowery Demands Answers from Laclede Gas Company"

Today, Mayor Robert G. Lowery, Sr. issued a statement that Laclede Gas Company, producer of natural gas to residential and commercial consumers in the Metropolitan area, has in the past focused on customer service by its safety inspections, annual reads, and testing of meters. The company now will be cutting back on personnel that are most vital by detecting potentially dangerous gas appliances and gas lines while making these safety inspections, annual reads, and testing of meters.

Mayor Lowery stated that this is a cause for much concern for all people who are provided gas by Laclede Gas Company. This change in service which will reduce inspections could, and possibly will, result in more explosions in homes and businesses. The Mayor has sent a letter to the President and CEO of Laclede asking for an explanation of how reducing the number of personnel will still provide service, with a special emphasis on the safety inspections.

Mayor Lowery stated, "I am extremely concerned about this reduction in service and ask that we all work together as a community to assure the safety of our residents and business owners."

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