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Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge Missouri Public Service Commission P. O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102

RE: Case No. GR-2001-387

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of the PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE.

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,

Bruce H. Bates

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cc: Counsel of Record

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Service Commission

In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's

Purchased Gas Adjustment Tariff

Revisions to be Reviewed in its 2000
2001 Actual Cost Adjustment.

Case No. GR-2001-387

PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

COME NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), on behalf of itself and Laclede Gas Company ("Laclede") and for their *Proposed Procedural Schedule* state to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") as follows:

Proposed Procedural Schedule

- 1. On February 15, 2002, Staff and Laclede filed a pleading in Case Nos. GR-2000-622 and GR-2001-387 asking that those cases be consolidated. On February 20, 2002, the Commission issued its *Order Granting Motion to Consolidate* in this matter, making GR-2001-387 the lead case.
- 2. In view of this consolidation, and the resource demands imposed on Staff and Laclede as a result of other pending proceedings before the Commission, Staff and Laclede would respectfully suggest that the following procedural schedule be established in these cases:

Staff's Recommendation for 1999/2000 ACA Period for GR-2002-622 March 15, 2002

Laclede's Response to Staff Recommendations for 1999-2000 ACA for GR-2000-622	April 26, 2002
Staff's Recommendation for 2000-2001 ACA Period for GR-2001-387	June 28, 2002
Laclede's Response to Staff Recommendations for GR-2001-387	August 9, 2002
Direct Testimony of All Parties	September 27, 2002
Rebuttal Testimony of All Parties	December 1, 2002
Surrebuttal Testimony of All Parties	January 10, 2003
List of Issues and Order of Witnesses	January 17, 2003
Statement of Positions	January 24, 2003
Evidentiary Hearings	February 10-14, 2003

3. Counsel for the Office of the Public Counsel has been made aware of the contents of this filing and has no objections to it.

WHEREFORE, Staff, on behalf of itself and Laclede Gas Company, prays that the Commission grant their *Proposed Procedural Schedule*.

Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

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 20th day of February 2002.

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Service List for Case No. GR-2001-387 Verified: February 20, 2002 (lb)

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