OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Donald Garner,)
Complainant,)
v.) <u>Case No. GC-2007-0488</u>
Laclede Gas Company,)
Respondent.)

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: August 30, 2007 Effective Date: August 30, 2007

On July 31, 2007, the Missouri Public Service Commission issued its Order Setting Prehearing Conference and Directing Filing of Procedural Schedule. That order scheduled a prehearing conference for August 21, 2007, and required the parties to file a proposed procedural schedule by August 28, 2007. The prehearing conference was held as scheduled on August 21, 2007.

On August 21, 2007, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission filed a Motion to Extend the Time for a Procedural Schedule. In its motion Staff advised the Commission that the parties have reached a tentative agreement on the issues and Laclede will be preparing a settlement document to present to Mr. Garner. Staff requests an extension until September 24, 2007, to file a proposed procedural schedule. Staff stated that the requested extension would to give the parties an opportunity to execute a settlement agreement and, if appropriate, to give Mr. Garner an opportunity to withdraw his complaint. The Commission finds Staff's request to be reasonable and will grant it.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The parties shall jointly prepare and file a proposed procedural schedule no later than September 24, 2007.
 - 2. This order shall become effective on August 30, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Cherlyn Voss, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 30th day of August, 2007.