September 8, 2009

By U.S. Mail and facsimile to (314) 421-1979

Douglas H. Yaeger Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer The Laclede Group, Inc. 720 Olive Street St. Louis, MO 63101

Re: The Laclede Group, Inc.

Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2008

Filed November 21, 2008

Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A

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Dear Mr. Yaeger:

We have completed our review of your Form 10-K and related filings and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

H. Christopher Owings Assistant Director