

Mail Stop 3561

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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
Filed December 22, 2008
File No. 001-16681**

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