

LACLEDE GAS CO
Form 8-K
January 24, 2013

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 22, 2013

Commission File No.	Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter and Principal Office Address and Telephone Number	State of Incorporation	I.R.S. Employer Identification Number
1-16681	The Laclede Group, Inc. 720 Olive Street St. Louis, MO 63101 314-342-0500	Missouri	74-2976504
1-1822	Laclede Gas Company 720 Olive Street St. Louis, MO 63101 314-342-0500	Missouri	43-0368139

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On January 24, 2013, The Laclede Group, Inc. (“Laclede”) issued a news release announcing the early termination of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvement Act of 1976, as amended (“HSR”) in connection with Laclede's acquisition, through two wholly-owned subsidiaries, from Southern Union Company (“SUG”) of substantially all of the assets and liabilities of Missouri Gas Energy (“MGE”) and New England Gas Company (“NEG”).

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On January 22, 2013, Laclede and Laclede Gas Company (“Laclede Gas”) received confirmation of the early termination of the waiting period under HSR. This termination satisfies one of the closing conditions for the Purchase and Sale Agreements, dated as of December 14, 2012, entered into by Laclede Gas (by way of an assignment and assumption agreement) and Plaza Massachusetts Acquisition, Inc. (and each guaranteed by Laclede), to acquire from SUG substantially all of the assets and liabilities of MGE and NEG, respectively.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Number Exhibit

99.1 Release dated January 24, 2013

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrants have duly caused this report to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: January 24, 2013

LACLEDE GAS COMPANY

By: /s/ S. L. Lindsey

Name: S. L. Lindsey

Title: President

Date: January 24, 2013

THE LACLEDE GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ S. Sitherwood

Name: S. Sitherwood

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

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