LACLEDE PIPELINE COMPANY 3950 FOREST PARK AVENUEST. LOUIS, MISSOURI 63108

April 10, 2001

Roger Little
Information Officer
Research and Special Programs Administration
Department of Transportation
400 Seventh Street, SW
Washington DC 20590

Re: Abandoned Underwater Facilities Report for Laclede Pipeline Company

Dear Mr. Little:

In accordance with 49 CFR Part 195.59(b) the following notification is being made concerning pipeline facilities owned by Laclede Pipeline Company crossing under two commercially navigable waterways which were abandoned in October 1999. The information requested by the above referenced rule for each of the two waterway crossings covered by this notification is as follows:

1. **Location:** Mississippi River at approximate mile 192.0 above the mouth of the Ohio River; just north of St. Louis, Missouri.

Size: 10.75 inches outside diameter (O.D.), 0.500 inch wall thickness(W.T.); approximately 3,300 feet in length.

Date of Abandonment: October 1,1999.

Method of Abandonment: Purged free of product (liquid propane) with nitrogen gas. Welded cap installed on one end and blind flanged on opposite end.

2. Location: The Chain of Rocks Canal at approximately one mile north of Interstate 270 between Chouteau Island and mainland Illinois (Madison County Illinois). Installed inside a shared 16 inch O.D. casing.

Size: 6.625 inches O.D., 0.432 inch W.T.; approximately 1,600 feet in length.

Date of Abandonment: October 1, 1999.

Method of Abandonment: Purged free of product (liquid propane) with nitrogen gas. Welded caps installed on both ends.

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This notification also serves as a certification that both of the above referenced waterway crossings have been abandoned in accordance with all applicable laws.

Should you have any questions or need additional information regarding this matter, please contact me at (314) 658-5413 or Dr. Patrick Seamands at (314) 658-5414.

Sincerely,

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