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August 16, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 16, 2004

| Commission File Number | Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter and Principal Office Address and Telephone Number | States 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 |

NONE

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On August 10, 2004, the Company issued a press release relative to a tentative agreement reached by Laclede Gas Company with each of Local 5-6 and Local 5-194 of the Paper, Allied-Industrial, Chemical & Energy Workers International Union. The four-year agreement, which will expire on July 31, 2008, with each Local was ratified on August 15, 2004 and signed on August 16, 2004.

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SIGNATURE

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

THE LACLEDE GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Douglas H. Yaeger

Name: Douglas H. Yaeger
Title: Chairman of the Board, President
And Chief Executive Officer

Dated: August 16, 2004

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