

LACLEDE GROUP INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SKAU RICHARD A

(Last) (First) (Middle)
720 OLIVE STREET
(Street)

ST. LOUIS, MO 63101

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
LACLEDE GROUP INC [LG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/14/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Sr. Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 05/14/2008 | | M | | 3,000 | A | \$ 30.95 |
| Common Stock | 05/14/2008 | | S | | 3,000 | D | \$ 41.1726 |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1,537 | I | |

company stock fund in 401(k) plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Employee Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 30.95 | 05/14/2008 | | M | 3,000 | (3) 11/03/2014 | Common Stock | 3,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SKAU RICHARD A 720 OLIVE STREET ST. LOUIS, MO 63101 | | | Sr. Vice President | |

Signatures

Richard A. Skau 05/14/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Includes prior awards of performance contingent restricted stock and time vested restricted stock; all as awarded under the Company's Equity Incentive Plans.
- (2) Shares held in Company stock fund of 401(k) plan as reported by trustee as of March 12, 2008 and purchased through regular deferrals under the Plan.
- (3) Options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on November 4, 2005.

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