

LACLEDE GROUP INC

Form 4

November 17, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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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)
11/16/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	11/16/2006		M		1,250	A	\$ 23.27
Common Stock	11/16/2006		M		4,500	A	\$ 28.85
Common Stock	11/16/2006		S		4,808	D	\$ 36.8
Common Stock							4,942 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock							1,325
							I
							Through 401(k) ⁽²⁾

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)	\$ 23.27	11/16/2006		M	1,250	<u>(3)</u> 02/05/2013	Common Stock	1,250
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 28.85	11/16/2006		M	4,500	<u>(4)</u> 11/05/2013	Common Stock	4,500

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

Richard A. Skau 11/17/2006
 **Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Includes shares of performance contingent restricted stock awarded and reported in November 2005 under the Company's Equity Plan and awarded November 2, 2006, reported November 3, 2006, under the Company's 2006 Equity Incentive Plan.
- (2) Shares held in Company stock fund of 401(k) plan as reported by trustee as of September 30, 2006 and purchased through regular deferrals under the Plan.
- (3) Options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on February 6, 2004.
- (4) Options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on November 8, 2004.

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