

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 \*  
**YAEGER DOUGLAS H**

(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)  
 11/02/2005

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)  
 Chairman, President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |        |                           |  |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|--------|---------------------------|--|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount (D) or Price   |  |                                   |        |                           |  |
| Common Stock                    | 11/02/2005                           |  | A                              |   | 15,000<br><u>(1)</u>  | A  | \$ 0                              | 17,035 | D                         |  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 6,564                             | I      | Through 401(k) <u>(2)</u> |  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 87                                | I      | Shares owned by son       |  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 21                                | I      | Shares owned by spouse    |  |

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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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares                                       |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                              | Relationships |           |                           |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                   | Other |
| YAEGER DOUGLAS H<br>720 OLIVE STREET<br>ST. LOUIS, MO 63101 | X             |           | Chairman, President & CEO |       |

## Signatures

Douglas H. Yaeger  
11/02/2005  
\*\*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) Award of performance contingent restricted stock under the Company's Equity Plan, with vesting contingent upon performance during performance period ending 9/30/08, but dividend and voting rights granted to the reporting person during the performance period.
- (2) Shares held in Company stock fund of 401(k) plan as reported by trustee as of September 30, 2005.

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