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Return of Private Foundation
or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust
Treated as a Private Foundation

OMB No 1545-0052

2010

Note. The foundation may be able to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

For calendar year 2010, or tax year beginning October 1, 2010, and ending September 30, 2011

G Check all that apply: ☐ Initial return ☐ Initial return of a former public charity ☐ Final return
☐ Amended return ☐ Address change ☐ Name change

Name of foundation: **Laclede Gas Charitable Trust**
A Employer identification number: **43-6068197**
Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address): **720 Olive Street**
Room/suite: **1306**
B Telephone number (see page 10 of the instructions): **314-342-0506**

City or town, state, and ZIP code: **St. Louis, MO 63101-2338**
C If exemption application is pending, check here ☐
D 1. Foreign organizations, check here ☐
2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ☐

H Check type of organization: ☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16) **\$ 4,107,786**
J Accounting method: ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual ☐ Other (specify) _____
E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ☐
F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ☐

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see page 11 of the instructions))		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule) ☐ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B	1,000,000			
	2 Check ☐ Interest on savings and temporary cash investments				
	4 Dividends and interest from securities	84,145	84,145		
	5a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss)				
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	101,337			
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 697,000				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		101,337		
	8 Net short-term capital gain				
	9 Income modifications				
	10a Gross sales less returns and allowances				
	b Less Cost of goods sold				
	c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)				
	11 Other income (attach schedule)				
	12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	1,185,482	185,482		
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.				
	14 Other employee salaries and wages				
	15 Pension plans—employee benefits				
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule)				
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see page 14 of the instructions)	3,156			
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion				
	20 Occupancy				
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	22 Printing and publications				
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule)				
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	3,156			
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	697,765			697,765
	26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	700,921			697,765
	27 Subtract line 26 from line 12:				
	a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	484,561			
	b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		185,482		
	c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)				

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Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)	Beginning of year	End of year	
			(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets	1	Cash - non-interest-bearing	2,216	798,295	798,295
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments			
	3	Accounts receivable ▶			
		Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	4	Pledges receivable ▶			
		Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	5	Grants receivable			
	6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see page 15 of the instructions)			
	7	Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶			
		Less: allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	8	Inventories for sale or use			
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10 a	Investments - U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)			
	b	Investments - corporate stock (attach schedule)			
	c	Investments - corporate bonds (attach schedule)			
	11	Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶			
	Less: accumulated depreciation ▶ (attach schedule)				
12	Investments - mortgage loans				
13	Investments - other (attach schedule)	3,339,859	3,028,341	3,309,491	
14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶				
	Less: accumulated depreciation ▶ (attach schedule)				
15	Other assets (describe ▶)				
16	Total assets (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	3,342,075	3,826,636	4,107,786	
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
	18	Grants payable			
	19	Deferred revenue			
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)			
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶)			
	23	Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)			
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☐ and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.				
	24	Unrestricted			
	25	Temporarily restricted			
	26	Permanently restricted			
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here and complete lines 27 through 31. ▶ ☒				
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds	3,342,075	3,826,636	
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg, and equipment fund			
	29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds			
	30	Total net assets or fund balances (see page 17 of the instructions)	3,342,075	3,826,636	
	31	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see page 17 of the instructions)	3,342,075	3,826,636	

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances

1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year - Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	3,342,075
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	484,561
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	3,826,636
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6	3,826,636

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co.)			(b) How acquired P-Purchase D-Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo., day, yr.)	(d) Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
1a Vanguard Balanced Index Fund			P	Various	Various
b					
c					
d					
e					
(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)		
a 697,000	b 0	c 595,663	d 101,337		
e					
f					
g					
h					
i					
Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(l) Gains (Col. (h) gain minus col. (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col. (h))		
(i) F M V as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col. (i) over col. (j), if any			
a N/A	b N/A	c N/A	d N/A		
e					
f					
g					
h					
i					
2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss) { If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 }			2	101,337	
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6) If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see pages 13 and 17 of the instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8. }			3		

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income.)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank.

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e). Do not complete this part.

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year, see page 18 of the instructions before making any entries

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col. (b) divided by col. (c))
2009	589,615	3,780,209	0.1560
2008	607,530	2,956,479	0.2055
2007	608,704	3,317,577	0.1835
2006	615,215	3,749,687	0.1641
2005	622,543	3,642,373	0.1709
2 Total of line 1, column (d)			2 0.8800
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period - divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years			3 0.1760
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2010 from Part X, line 5			4 3,647,774
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3			5 642,008
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)			6 1,855
7 Add lines 5 and 6			7 643,863
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate. See the Part VI instructions on page 18.			8 697,765

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948 - see page 18 of the instructions)

1 a. Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1			
Date of ruling or determination letter _____ (attach copy of ruling letter if necessary - see instructions)			
b Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☒ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b		1	1,855
c All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col (b)			
2 Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)		2	
3 Add lines 1 and 2		3	1,855
4 Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)		4	
5 Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-		5	1,855
6 Credits/Payments			
a 2010 estimated tax payments and 2009 overpayment credited to 2010	6 a	2,500	
b Exempt foreign organizations-tax withheld at source	6 b		
c Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6 c		
d Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6 d		
7 Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	7	2,500	
8 Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached	8		
9 Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9		
10 Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10	645	
11 Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2011 estimated tax ☒ 645 Refunded ☐	11		

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1 a During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?		X
b Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see page 19 of the instructions for definition)?		X
If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities		
c Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
d Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year: (1) On the foundation ☒ \$ N/A (2) On foundation managers ☒ \$ N/A		
e Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers ☒ \$ N/A		
2 Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS?		X
If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities		
3 Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
4 a Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		X
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year? N/A		
5 Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year?		X
If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T		
6 Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either: • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	X	
7 Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), and Part XV	X	
8 a Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see page 19 of the instructions) ☒ Missouri		
b If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? If "No," attach explanation	X	
9 Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2010 or the taxable year beginning in 2010 (see instructions for Part XIV on page 27)? If "Yes," complete Part XIV		X
10 Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses		X

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see page 20 of the instructions)	11		X
12	Did the foundation acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract before August 17, 2008?	12		X
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application?	13	X	
Website address ▶ _____				
14	The books are in care of ▶ <u>Laclede Gas Company</u> Telephone no ▶ <u>314-342-0506</u> Located at ▶ <u>720 Olive Street, Room 1525, St. Louis, MO</u> ZIP + 4 ▶ <u>63101-2338</u>			
15	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here	15		N/A
16	At any time during calendar year 2010, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country?	16	Yes	No
See page 20 of the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1 If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____				X

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

	Yes	No
1a During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)		
(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days)	☐ Yes ☒ No	
b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see page 22 of the instructions)?	N/A	
Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here.	☐	
c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2010?	1c	X
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)).		
a At the end of tax year 2010, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2010?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
If "Yes," list the years ▶ _____		
b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement - see page 22 of the instructions)	N/A	
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here ▶ _____		
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year?	☐ Yes ☒ No	
b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2010 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2010)	N/A	
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a	X
b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2010?	4b	X

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)

- 5a During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to
- (1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- (2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- (3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- (4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 509(a)(1), (2), or (3), or section 4940(d)(2)? (see page 22 of the instructions). ☐ Yes ☒ No
- (5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)-(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see page 22 of the instructions)? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ☐ N/A ☒ **5b**
- c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d) ☐ N/A ☒ **6b**
- 6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No **6b** X
- If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870
- 7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction? ☐ Yes ☒ No **7b**

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors**1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see page 22 of the instructions).**

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
See Attached				

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1 - see page 23 of the instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
None				

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 ☐ **7c**

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors (continued)**3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see page 23 of the instructions). If none, enter "NONE."**

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		

Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services ▶

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.

	Expenses
1 None	
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see page 24 of the instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2

	Amount
1 None	
2	
All other program-related investments See page 24 of the instructions	
3	
Total. Add lines 1 through 3 ▶	

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Part X **Minimum Investment Return** (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see page 24 of the instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1 a	3,667,679
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1 b	35,645
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see page 25 of the instructions)	1 c	0
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1 d	3,703,324
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1 e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	3,703,324
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2 % of line 3 (for greater amount, see page 25 of the instructions)	4	55,550
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	3,647,774
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	182,389

Part XI **Distributable Amount** (see page 25 of the instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here ☐ and do not complete this part.)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	1	182,389
2a	Tax on investment income for 2010 from Part VI, line 5	2a	1,855
b	Income tax for 2010 (This does not include the tax from Part VI)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	1,855
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	180,534
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	180,534
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see page 25 of the instructions)	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	180,534

Part XII **Qualifying Distributions** (see page 25 of the instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc. - total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1 a	697,765
b	Program-related investments - total from Part IX-B	1 b	
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3 a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3 b	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	697,765
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see page 26 of the instructions)	5	1,855
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	695,910

Note: The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years.

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see page 26 of the instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2009	(c) 2009	(d) 2010
1 Distributable amount for 2010 from Part XI, line 7				180,534
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2010				
a Enter amount for 2009 only			0	
b Total for prior years 20____, 20____, 20____		0		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2010:				
a From 2005	442,982			
b From 2006	431,137			
c From 2007	445,183			
d From 2008	461,464			
e From 2009	402,609			
f Total of lines 3a through e	2,183,375			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2010 from Part XII, line 4 ► \$ 697,765				
a Applied to 2009, but not more than line 2a			0	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see page 26 of the instructions)		0		
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see page 26 of the instructions)	0			
d Applied to 2010 distributable amount				180,534
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	517,231			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2010 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))	0			
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	2,700,606			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed		0		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount - see page 27 of the instructions		0		
e Undistributed income for 2009 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount - see page 27 of the instructions			0	
f Undistributed income for 2010 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2011				0
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (see page 27 of the instructions)	0			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2005 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see page 27 of the instructions)	442,982			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2011. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	2,257,624			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2006	431,137			
b Excess from 2007	445,183			
c Excess from 2008	461,464			
d Excess from 2009	402,609			
e Excess from 2010	517,231			

Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see page 27 of the instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

1 a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2010, enter the date of the ruling

Not Applicable

b Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section

4942(j)(3) or

4942(j)(5)

2 a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed

Tax year

Prior 3 years

(e) Total

(a) 2010

(b) 2009

(c) 2008

(d) 2007

b 85% of line 2a

c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed

d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities

e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities. Subtract line 2d from line 2c

3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon

a "Assets" alternative test - enter

(1) Value of all assets

(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)

b "Endowment" alternative test - enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed

c "Support" alternative test - enter

(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)

(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii)

(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization

(4) Gross investment income

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year - see page 28 of the instructions.)**1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:**

a List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000) (See section 507(d)(2))

None

b List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest

None

2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:

Check here ☒ if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc (see page 28 of the instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d

a The name, address, and telephone number of the person to whom applications should be addressed

N/A

b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include

N/A

c Any submission deadlines

N/A

d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors

N/A

3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

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Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.	Unrelated business income	Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514	(e) Related or exempt function income (See page 28 of the instructions)	
	(a) Business code	(b) Amount	(c) Exclusion code	(d) Amount
1 Program service revenue				
a _____				
b _____				
c _____				
d _____				
e _____				
f _____				
g Fees and contracts from government agencies				
2 Membership dues and assessments				
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments				
4 Dividends and interest from securities			14	84,145
5 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate				
a Debt-financed property				
b Not debt-financed property				
6 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property .				
7 Other investment income				
8 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory			14	101,337
9 Net income or (loss) from special events . . .				
10 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory . .				
11 Other revenue a _____				
b _____				
c _____				
d _____				
e _____				
12 Subtotal. Add columns (b), (d), and (e)				185,482
13 Total. Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e)				185,482

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions on page 29 to verify calculations)

Part XVI-B Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

[illegible]

1 Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?		Yes	No
a Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of			
(1) Cash	1a(1)		X
(2) Other assets	1a(2)		X
b Other transactions			
(1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization	1b(1)		X
(2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization	1b(2)		X
(3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets	1b(3)		X
(4) Reimbursement arrangements	1b(4)		X
(5) Loans or loan guarantees	1b(5)		X
(6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations	1b(6)		X
c Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees	1c		X
d If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation. If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received.			

[illegible]

2a Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," complete the following schedule

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship
Not Applicable		

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer or fiduciary) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

**Sign
Here**

Signature of officer or trustee

2/15/2012
Date

Treasurer
Title

**Paid
Preparer
Use Only**

Print/Type preparer's name

Preparer's signature

Date

Check ☐ if self-employed

PTIN

Firm's name	▶
Firm's address	▶

Firm's EIN ▶

Phone no

Schedule of Contributors

OMB No 1545-0047

▶ Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.

2010

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

Laclede Gas Charitable Trust

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Organization type (check one)

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

☐ 501(c)() (enter number) organization

☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

☐ 527 political organization

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☒ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

Note. Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

- ☒ For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II.

Special Rules

- ☐ For a section 501(c)(3) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3 % support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), and received from any one contributor, during the year, a contribution of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- ☐ For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, aggregate contributions of more than \$1,000 for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- ☐ For a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions for use *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but these contributions did not aggregate to more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Do not complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received nonexclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$5,000 or more during the year. ▶ \$

Caution. An organization that is not covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules does not file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2 of its Form 990, or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ, or on line 2 of its Form 990-PF, to certify that it does not meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

Name of organization

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Part I Contributors (see instructions)

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Aggregate contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	The Laclede Group, Inc. 720 Olive Street St. Louis, MO 63101-2338	\$ 1,000,000	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II if there is a noncash contribution)
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Part II Noncash Property (see instructions)

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (see instructions)	(d) Date received
	N/A	\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	

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Part III Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., individual contributions to section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organizations aggregating more than \$1,000 for the year. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry.

For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year. (Enter this information once See instructions) ► \$

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	N/A		
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee
	(e) Transfer of gift		
	Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee

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Attachment Form 990-PF
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Part I - Analysis of Revenue and Expenses

Line 1 - Contributions, gifts, grants, etc. received

	Amount
The Laclede Group, Inc.	\$1,000,000
Total Line 1	<u><u>\$1,000,000</u></u>

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Part II - Balance Sheet

At September 30, 2011

Column B
(All at Cost)

Column C
(Fair Mkt Value)

Line 13 - Investments - Other

Vanguard Balanced Index Fund

\$3,028,341

\$3,028,341

\$3,309,491

\$3,309,491

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Part VIII - Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees

<u>(a)</u>	<u>(b)</u>	<u>(c)</u>	<u>(d)</u>	<u>(e)</u>
D. H. Yaeger 720 Olive Street St. Louis, MO 63101	Chairman Trustee Nominal	0	0	0
M. R. Spotanski 720 Olive Street St. Louis, MO 63101	Trustee Nominal	0	0	0
L. D. Rawlings 720 Olive Street St. Louis, MO 63101	Treasurer Nominal	0	0	0
M. C. Kullman 720 Olive Street St. Louis, MO 63101	Secretary Trustee Nominal	0	0	0

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Part XV - Line 3a

Education

Recipient	Location	Description	Amount
Althoff Catholic High School	Belleville, IL	Matching Gift Program	\$ 1,000
Avila University	Kansas City, MO	Matching Gift Program	100
Bradley University	Peoria, IL	Matching Gift Program	75
Brehm Preparatory School	Carbondale, IL	Matching Gift Program	500
Christian Brothers College High School	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	500
Cor Jesu Academy	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	150
DePauw University	Greencastle, IN	Matching Gift Program	500
Duchesne High School	St. Charles, MO	Matching Gift Program	1,075
Georgetown Law Annual Fund	Washington, DC	Matching Gift Program	750
Gibault Catholic High School	Waterloo, IL	Matching Gift Program	1,000
Indiana University	Bloomington, IN	Matching Gift Program	50
John F Kennedy High School	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	1,085
Kenrick Seminary	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	7,635
Maryville University	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	1,000
Mary Institute & St. Louis County Day Inst	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	250
McKendree College	Lebanon, IL	Matching Gift Program	500
Missouri State University Foundation	Springfield, MO	Matching Gift Program	10
Missouri University of Science & Technology	Rolla, MO	Matching Gift Program	360
Nerinx Hall High School	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	350
Notre Dame High School	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	125
Quincy Notre Dame High School	Quincy, IL	Matching Gift Program	250
Rosati -Kain High School	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	1,160
Southeast Missouri State University	Cape Girardeau, MO	Matching Gift Program	75
Southern Illinois University- Edwardsville	Edwardsville, IL	Matching Gift Program	200
St Dominic High School	O'Fallon, MO	Matching Gift Program	700
St Elizabeth Academy	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	50
St Joseph's Academy	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	100
St Louis University	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	875
St Louis University High School	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	500
St Mary's High School	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	850
St Pius X High School	Festus, MO	Matching Gift Program	315
Syracuse University	Syracuse, NY	Matching Gift Program	500
Trinity Catholic High School	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	540
Tulane University	New Orleans, LA	Matching Gift Program	50
University of Dayton	Dayton, OH	Matching Gift Program	20
University of Illinois Foundation	Urbana, IL	Matching Gift Program	100
University of Missouri-Columbia	Columbia, MO	Matching Gift Program	535
University of Missouri-St Louis	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	330
University of Pennsylvania	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	500
Vianney High School	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	150
Washington University	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	100
West Virginia Wesleyan College	Buckhannon, WV	Matching Gift Program	250
Whitfield School	St. Louis, MO	Matching Gift Program	500
Total Education (Matching Gifts)			\$ 25,665

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Part XV - Line 3a (continued)

Civic and Cultural

<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
American Red Cross	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	\$ 6,995
Barnes Jewish Hospital Foundation	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	20,000
Boy Scouts of America	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	10,000
Central Institute for the Deaf	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	1,000
CharacterPlus	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	10,000
Jazz St. Louis	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	1,000
Jewish Federation of St. Louis	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	2,000
Junior Achievement	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	10,000
Life Skills Foundation	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	2,500
Magic House	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	20,000
Miriam Foundation	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	10,000
Museum of Transportation	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	10,000
Ranken Technical College	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	10,000
Ronald McDonald House Charities	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	10,000
Salvation Army	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	3,705
Save the Children Federation	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	625
St. Louis Art Museum	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	10,000
St. Louis Health Equipment Lending Program	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	2,500
St. Louis Science Center	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	45,000
St. Louis Zoo	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	40,000
Teach for America	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	20,000
Webster University	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	15,000
YMCA of Greater St. Louis	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	20,000
Total Civic and Cultural			<u>\$ 280,325</u>

Funds

United Way	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	<u>391,775</u>
Grand Total			<u>\$ 697,765</u>

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Part XV - Line 3b

<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Teach for America	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	\$ 20,000
St. Louis Science Center	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	45,000
United Way of Greater St. Louis	St. Louis, MO	Operating Expenses	97,500
Total			<u><u>\$ 162,500</u></u>