LACLEDE GROUP INC Form 8-K January 26, 2006

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

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

January 26, 2006

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

## The Laclede Group, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Missouri	1-16681	74-2976504
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
720 Olive Street, St. Louis, Missouri		63101
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code:		314-342-0500
	Not Applicable	
Former name	or former address, if changed since	ast report
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing i the following provisions:	s intended to simultaneously satisfy	the filing obligation of the registrant under any of
[ ] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under	*	
[ ] Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the [ ] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule		
Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rul		

## Edgar Filing: LACLEDE GROUP INC - Form 8-K

#### Top of the Form

Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

At The Laclede Group's annual meeting of shareholders today, the shareholders approved an amendment to the company's articles of incorporation to reduce the minimum size of the board from nine to seven. The articles as approved and amended are attached as Exhibit 3.i. Also, Article IV, section 2 of the company's bylaws were similarly amended effective upon the shareholder approval. Further, in 2005 the Missouri legislature enacted a law to allow companies to eliminate physical certificates. The Company determined not to wholly eliminate physical certificates but amended Article IX, sections 1 and 2 of its bylaws to allow shareholders the choice to eliminate the physical certificate and use book-entry or direct registration instead. Previously, registered shareholders had no such option. The bylaws as amended are attached as Exhibit 3.ii.

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

The Company issued the attached news release today announcing the declaration of dividends and the results of the annual meeting.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibits
- 3.i Articles of Incorporation of The Laclede Group, Inc.
- 3.ii Bylaws of The Laclede Group, Inc.
- 99.1 Dividend Declaration and Annual Meeting Results Press Release.

The information contained in Exhibit 99.1 is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission whether made before or after the date hereof and regardless of any general incorporation language in such filings.

## Edgar Filing: LACLEDE GROUP INC - Form 8-K

### Top of the Form

#### **SIGNATURES**

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

The Laclede Group, Inc.

January 26, 2006 By: Barry C. Cooper

Name: Barry C. Cooper Title: Chief Financial Officer

## Edgar Filing: LACLEDE GROUP INC - Form 8-K

## Top of the Form

### Exhibit Index

Exhibit No.	Description
3.i	Articles of Incorporation of The Laclede Group
3.ii	Bylaws of The Laclede Group
99.1	Dividend Declaration and Annual Meeting Results Press Release