LACLEDE GROUP INC

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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(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SPOTANSKI MICHAEL R Issuer Symbol LACLEDE GROUP INC [LG] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 720 OLIVE STREET 05/09/2008 below) Sr. Vice President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ST. LOUIS, MO 63101 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Execution Date, if Transactior Disposed of (D) any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
C			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/09/2008		M	2,000	A	\$ 23.27	14,500	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S	2,000	D	\$ 39.8	12,500	D	
Common Stock	05/12/2008		M	4,000	A	\$ 23.27	16,500	D	
Common Stock	05/12/2008		S	2,000	D	\$ 40.2808	14,500	D	
Common Stock	05/12/2008		S	1,000	D	\$ 40.5	13,500	D	

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Common Stock Reminder: Re	port on a separate line for each cla	ss of securities ben	eficially o	wned o	directly or inc	3,874 (2)	I	company stock fund in 401(k) plan
Common Stock	05/12/2008	S	1,000	D	\$ 40.6532	12,500 <u>(1)</u>	D	

 $\label{thm:convertible} \textbf{Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned} \\ \textit{(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)}$

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction Derivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 23.27	05/09/2008		M	2,000	(3)	02/05/2013	Common Stock	2,000	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 23.27	05/12/2008		M	4,000	(3)	02/05/2013	Common Stock	4,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
SPOTANSKI MICHAEL R 720 OLIVE STREET ST. LOUIS, MO 63101			Sr. Vice President					

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Michael R. Spotanski 05/12/2008

**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 31, 2008.
- (3) Options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on February 4, 2004.

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