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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-3 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

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THE LACLEDE GROUP, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

LACLEDE CAPITAL TRUST I in its charter)

Missouri (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

Delaware

74-2976503

81-6099531

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

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(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number including area code, of agents for service)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after this Registration Statement becomes effective as determined by market conditions and other factors.

If the only securities being registered on this form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. [ ]

If any of the securities being registered on this form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection

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with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box. [X]

If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. []

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If this form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule  $462\,(c)$  under the Securities Act of 1933, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. [ ]

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If delivery of the prospectus is expected to be made pursuant to Rule 434, please check the following box.  $[\ ]$ 

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## CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each
Class of
Proposed Maximum Maximum
Securities to
Amount To Be Offering Price Aggregate Offering
Be Registered Registered Per Unit Price(1)(2)

The Laclede Group Securities:

Senior Debt

Subordinated Debt

Common Stock, par value \$1.00

per share (including associated

preferred share purchase rights)

Stock Purchase Contracts

Stock Purchase Units (2)

Guarantees of Trust Preferred Securities

Laclede Capital Trust I Securities:

Trust Preferred Securities

Total \$500,000,000