

FALLERT JAMES A  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 FALLERT JAMES A

(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)  
 12/13/2011

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)  
 Controller

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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 \_\_\_ 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	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/13/2011		M		2,500	A	\$ 28.85	10,904	D	
Common Stock	12/13/2011		M		5,500	A	\$ 30.95	16,404	D	
Common Stock	12/13/2011		S		8,000	D	\$ 39.98	8,404	D	
Common Stock								3,739 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	Through 401(k)

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 28.85	12/13/2011		M	2,500	<u>(2)</u> 11/05/2013	Common Stock	2,500
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 30.95	12/13/2011		M	5,500	<u>(3)</u> 11/03/2014	Common Stock	5,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FALLERT JAMES A 720 OLIVE STREET ST. LOUIS, MO 63101				Controller

## Signatures

James A. Fallert 12/14/2011

\*\*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).

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- (1) Shares held in Company stock fund of 401(k) plan as reported by trustee as of December 2, 2011 and purchased through regular deferrals under the Plan.
- (2) Options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on November 2004.
- (3) Options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on November 2005.

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