

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of Spire Missouri, Inc.        )  
d/b/a Spire, for Permission and Approval and a Certificate    )  
of Convenience and Necessity to Construct, Install, Own,    )  
Operate, Maintain, and Otherwise Control and Manage a      )  
Natural Gas Distribution System to Provide Gas Service      )  
In Buchanan County, Missouri as an Expansion of its        )  
Existing Certificated Areas                                        )

File No. GA-2021-0259

**JOINT STATUS REPORT**

COMES NOW Spire Missouri Inc., d/b/a Spire (“Spire” or “Company”) and the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”), by and through counsel, file this Joint Status Report and in support thereof state as follows:

1. On February 15, 2021, Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire filed an application for an expansion of Spire’s existing certificated area in Buchanan County. On June 16, 2021, Staff filed its recommendation and memorandum. On June 28, 2021, Spire disagreed with Staff’s recommendation and memorandum.

2. On July 15, 2021, the Commission conducted an on the record procedural conference with all of the parties in this case participating. The Judge granted the parties approximately one month to determine if a solution could be reached amicably or if a procedural schedule would be necessary.

3. On August 18, 2021, the Commission issued an order granting time until August 31, 2021 for the parties to file a status report, joint proposed procedural schedule or settlement.

4. Though a resolution has not been reached, the parties continue to believe a settlement may be possible in this matter and, in compliance with the August 18th order, are filing this report to request additional time to discuss this possibility prior to filing a proposed resolution, status update, or a procedural schedule no later than October 1, 2021.

WHEREFORE, the Parties hereby request the Commission grant additional time up to October 1, 2021 to file a proposed procedural schedule or an alternative resolution to this matter with the Commission.

Respectfully Submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing pleading was served on all parties to this case on 31<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021 by electronic mail.

*/s/ Rachel L. Niemeier* \_\_\_\_\_