BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of Spire Missouri, Inc. for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Maintain, and Otherwise Control and Manage a Natural Gas Distribution System in and around the City of Oronogo in Jasper County, Missouri as an Expansion of its Existing Certificated Areas

File No. GA-2023-0038

NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY

Issue Date: June 26, 2023

On January 25, 2023, the Commission issued an Order Approving Acquisition of Assets and Granting Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) in this matter, to be effective on February 24, 2023. The order granted Spire Missouri, Inc., d/b/a Spire, a CCN to construct, install, own, operate, maintain, and otherwise control and manage a natural gas distribution system to provide gas service in and around the City of Oronogo in Jasper County, Missouri, as a further expansion of its existing certificated area.

On June 22, 2023, Spire Vice President for Regulatory and Governmental Affairs, Scott Weitzel, filed a letter with the Commission regarding proposed modifications to its tariffs sheets.

Section 484.020, RSMo 2016, restricts the practice of law to licensed attorneys. Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.040(5), requires pleadings filed with the Commission to be signed by an attorney authorized to practice law in Missouri unless the entity signing the pleading is a natural person acting solely on his or her own behalf and representing only him or herself.¹ Mr. Weitzel did not present himself as an attorney acting on behalf of Spire. Therefore, the June 22nd filing is deficient and is rejected by the Commission.



BY THE COMMISSION

Nancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell Secretary

Kenneth J. Seyer, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 26th day of June, 2023.

¹ See also *Clark v. Austin*, 340 Mo 467, 101 S.W. 2d 977 (Mo 1937); *Reed v. Labor and Indus. Relations Com'n*, 789 S.W.2d 19 (Mo 1990).

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 26th day of June, 2023.



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Nancy Dippell Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,

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Nancy Dippell Secretary

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