

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

In the Matter of the Application of Spire Missouri, Inc., 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 Barry County     )  
As an Expansion of its Existing Certificated Areas                )

**File No. GA-2019-0210**

**STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, (“Commission”) by and through counsel, and for its *Staff Report and Recommendation*, states as follows:

1. On January 16, 2019, Spire Missouri, Inc. (“Spire” or the “Company”), filed its *Application for Certificate of Convenience and Request for Waiver*, with the Commission requesting a certificate of convenience and necessity (“CCN”) to construct, install, own, operate, maintain, and otherwise control and manage natural gas distribution system in order to provide gas service in Barry county, Missouri (“Application”).
2. On January 18, 2019, the Commission issued its Order directing Staff to file a Recommendation regarding Spire’s Application no later than April 18, 2019.
3. As discussed in Staff’s Memorandum, attached hereto as Appendix A and incorporated by reference, Staff is of the opinion that Spire has fulfilled the requirements of 4 CSR 240-3.205 and the Tartan criteria for approval, subject to the conditions stated on page 3 of the Memorandum, of a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity.
4. For these reasons, as more fully explained in Staff’s Memorandum, Staff recommends the Commission approve Spire’s Application for its requested CCN.

**WHEREFORE**, for the above stated reasons, Staff prays the Commission approve Spire Missouri, Inc.'s certificate of convenience and necessity for the service areas described in the Company's January 16, 2019, Application; and grant such other and further relief as is appropriate under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to counsel of record this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.

**/s/ Ron Irving**