

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office in
Jefferson City on the 17th day of
August, 2022.

In the Matter of Spire Missouri, Inc. d/b/a)
Spire's Request for Authority to Implement)
a General Rate Increase for Natural Gas)
Service Provided in the Company's)
Missouri Service Areas)

File No. GR-2022-0179
Tracking No. YG-2022-0244

ORDER SETTING LOCAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

Issue Date: August 17, 2022

Effective Date: August 17, 2022

Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire submitted tariff sheets on April 1, 2022, to implement a general rate increase in its gas revenues. The Commission suspended the tariff sheets until February 28, 2023, to give it time to consider the tariff sheets. On May 18, 2022, the Commission issued an order setting a procedural schedule, including an evidentiary hearing, but did not set a schedule for local public hearings. So the Commission directed the parties to submit proposed locations for two in-person local public hearings and one virtual public hearing for the month of October.

The Commission will now set the local public hearings. The Commission will hold two of these hearings in-person and one via video and telephone conference, and will explain how written comments can be submitted. The Commission will also direct Spire to provide notice of the local public hearings to their customers.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Public Policy and Outreach Department shall make an informal presentation and conduct a question-and-answer session for the public at the

beginning of each local public hearing. Comments to the Commission from the public will begin at the conclusion of the question and answer session.

2. Spire, the Staff of the Commission, and the Office of the Public Counsel shall each make a representative available to address substantive issues during the question-and-answer sessions at the beginning of each local public hearing. Those parties shall also make a short statement at the beginning of the question-and-answer session outlining their current assessment of the case. Any other party may have a representative present and may make a short statement at the beginning of the question-and-answer session.

3. No later than ten days before the local public hearings, Spire shall provide notice of the hearings to each of its customers. The approved notice is attached to this order as Attachment A.

4. Any person may comment at any of the hearings To facilitate an orderly presentation that can be preserved for the record, members of the public who wish to participate in the hearing shall sign-up by sending their first and last name, phone number, email address, and the hearing they wish to attend to pscinfo@psc.mo.gov, or by calling (800) 392-4211 by 5:00 p.m. the day before the hearing. Those attending the in-person hearings may also sign-up at the hearing location prior to the start of the hearings.

5. To attend the hearing by telephone, at the time of the hearing call toll free 1-855-718-6621, listen to the prompt and enter the meeting number set out below, followed by # (pound/hashtag symbol). If prompted for a password, enter 0179. To attend by video/internet visit the website at www.webex.com or download the Cisco WebEx Meetings application. At hearing time, enter the corresponding access code and password listed below.

Local Public Hearings shall be held as follows:

Date	Location	Start Time
October 12, 2022	St. Louis Community College – Florissant Valley Student Center – Multipurpose Room 3400 Pershall Road St. Louis, MO 63135	6:00 p.m.
October 13, 2022	Toll-free call-in number: 1-855-718-6621 Meeting number (access code): 2469 900 3915 Meeting password: 0179	12:00 p.m.
October 18, 2022	Gregg/Klice Community Center Large Meeting Room 1600 E. 17th Terrace Kansas City, MO 64108	6:00 p.m.

6. Any persons needing special accommodations to participate in the hearing as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission at least ten days prior to the hearing at one of the following numbers: Consumer Services Hotline 1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline 1-800-829-7541.

7. Comments may also be submitted to the Commission in writing by mailing the comment to the Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, or electronically using the Commission’s electronic filing system at https://psc.mo.gov/General/Submit_Comments. When submitting comments please reference File No. GR-2022-0179

8. The Commission’s Public Policy and Outreach Department shall make notice of this order available to the members of the media and the General Assembly representing customers in Spire’s service area.

9. The Commission’s Data Center shall provide a copy of this order to the county commission for each county in Spire’s service area.

10. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Rupp, Coleman, Holsman, and
Kolkmeier CC., concur.

Clark, Senior Regulatory Judge

**Notice of Local Public Hearings and
Request for Comments Regarding Proposed Increase
GR-2022-0179**

Spire Missouri Inc., (“Spire”) has filed a request with the Missouri Public Service Commission (“PSC”) to increase revenues by approximately \$151.88 million, an overall 10.29% increase. This \$151.88 million consists of \$73.9 million for Spire Missouri East and \$77.9 million for Spire Missouri West. However, \$8.5 million of the proposed increase is already currently being collected under the Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge (ISRS) program line item that is currently on customers’ bills. As the amount related to the ISRS is already being collected in rates the remaining overall annual incremental increase to customers, as proposed, would be \$143.38 million.

The proposed rate increase is primarily driven by infrastructure investment, rate of return, overhead costs, and certain transportation tariff provisions. Spire has streamlined this rate filing, seeking to update certain elements of its rate base and revenue requirement in response to PSC findings in a prior 2021 rate case order.

The effect of the proposed revenue increase will vary by customer type. Spire Missouri estimates that a typical Spire Missouri East residential customer would have an increase of approximately \$8.19 per month or 10.44% on their total bill. Spire Missouri estimates that a typical Spire Missouri West residential customer would have an increase of approximately \$10.95 per month or 12.65% on their total bill.

The PSC will decide what amount of increase, if any, to approve. The base rate increase request would take effect no later than February 28, 2023. Depending on the Commission’s decision, which will be based on evidentiary hearings. The rates for one or more customer rate classes may be different from the rates requested by Spire Missouri.

You Are Invited to Attend a Public Hearing

The PSC will hold public hearings. At the hearings you can ask questions, and you can testify about Spire Missouri’s rate increase request.

Each hearing will be divided into two parts. In the first part, you may ask questions of both Spire Missouri, the Office of the Public Counsel, and Staff of the Commission. In this first part, the Commissioners and the regulatory law judge will not be present. Your questions, and the answers provided to you will not be part of the evidence the Commission looks at. In the second part of the hearing, Commissioners and a regulatory law judge will be present, and you may testify directly to the Commissioners. Testimony provided in the second part will be some of the evidence that the Commission looks at when deciding whether to grant Spire’s requested rate increase.

The local public hearings will be held in person and virtually via live stream. To attend a public hearing, please see the schedule below:

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If a customer needs additional accommodations to participate in the hearings, please call the PSC’s Hotline at (800) 392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearing. During the virtual public hearing, you may also contact Spire with questions about your account via a designated text line at (314) 339-8762.

Additional Ways to Provide Comments and Feedback

If you are unable to attend a public hearing, or if you would like to make written comments or receive additional information, you may contact the PSC directly at:

Missouri Public Service Commission

P.O. Box 360,
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102
Telephone: (800) 392-4211
Email: pscinfo@psc.mo.gov

In addition, you may also provide comments or request additional information from the Missouri Office of the Public Counsel, a state agency tasked with representing the interests of the public in proceedings before the PSC, by contacting:

Office of the Public Counsel
P.O. Box 2230,
Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102
Telephone: (866) 922-2959
Email: opcservice@opc.mo.gov.

Comments may also be registered in the case using the Commission’s electronic filing system at <https://www.efis.psc.mo.gov/mpsc/Comments.html>. If submitting comments electronically, please reference Case No. GR-2022-0179.

Connect With Spire

You can also learn more about the rate review at SpireEnergy.com/rate-review.

Stay Informed

Finally, if you want to stay informed about this case or read up on what has already been filed, you can access this case on the PSC's Electronic Filing Information System (or "EFIS"). Please go to <https://psc.mo.gov/General/EFIS>, find the link for "Docket Sheet" under EFIS Shortcuts, and enter the case number for this case (GR-2022-0179) in the box provided to see everything filed in this case.

The PSC will also conduct an evidentiary hearing at its offices in Jefferson City from November 28–30, December 1–2, and December 5–9, 2022, beginning each day at 9:00 a.m. The hearings will be held in buildings that meet accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If a customer needs additional accommodations to participate in these hearings, please call the Missouri Public Service Commission's Hotline at (800) 392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the hearing.


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 17th day of August, 2022.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

August 17, 2022

File/Case No. GR-2022-0179

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "M" and "W".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

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