

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 4th day of January, 2023.

In the Matter of Spire Missouri, Inc. d/b/a)
Spire (East) Purchased Gas Adjustment)
(PGA) Tariff Filing)

File No. GR-2021-0127

ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Issue Date: January 4, 2023

Effective Date: January 4, 2023

Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire filed tariff sheets on October 30, 2020, to reflect changes in its Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) clause and Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) for its Spire Missouri East Operating Unit. This ACA review will reconcile the actual gas costs Spire Missouri incurred for the 2019-2020 ACA period.

On January 6, 2021, the Commission denied requests from Environmental Defense Fund, Midwest Energy Consumers Group, Consumers Council of Missouri and the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel) to establish a procedural schedule until the Commission's Staff (Staff) filed its report and recommendation concerning Spire's ACA. On May 27, 2022, Staff filed its ACA review recommendation and report (Staff's Recommendation). Several parties filed responses to both Staff's Recommendation and Spire's response to Staff's Recommendation.

On August 8, 2022, Spire replied to EDF's and Public Counsel's responses to Staff's Recommendation. Spire's reply also requested a procedural conference. A procedural conference was held on August 16, 2022. At that procedural conference, Spire requested time to negotiate with the other parties. The Commission granted additional

time. After several months of negotiation, the Commission ordered the parties to file either a settlement or a procedural schedule.

On December 19, 2022, Spire, Staff, Public Counsel, and EDF filed a proposed procedural schedule. The Commission will adopt the procedural schedule proposed by the parties with some modifications.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The following procedural schedule is established:

Spire Direct Testimony	January 27, 2023
Settlement Conference	February 10, 2023
Discovery Conference	February 21, 2023
Discovery Conference	March 28, 2023
Non-Utility Direct Testimony	April 28, 2023
Discovery Conference	May 16, 2023
All Party Rebuttal Testimony	May 26, 2023
Discovery Conference	June 6, 2023
All Party Surrebuttal Testimony	June 16, 2023
Settlement Conference	June 20, 2023
Final Day to Serve Data Requests	June 30, 2023
Joint list of Issues, Stipulation of Undisputed Facts, and Order of Witnesses	July 7, 2023
Position Statements	July 14, 2023
Evidentiary Hearing	July 25-26, 2023
Initial Post-Hearing Briefs	August 25, 2023
Reply Briefs	September 8, 2023

2. The evidentiary hearing shall be held at the Commission's office at the Governor Office Building, Room 310, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, and will begin each day at 9:00 a.m. This building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need additional accommodations to participate in this hearing, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearing.

3. The parties shall comply with the following additional procedural requirements:

- A. Although not all parties may agree upon how each issue should be described, or on whether a listed issue is in fact a proper issue, the parties shall agree upon and Staff shall file a list of the issues to be heard, the witnesses to appear on each day of the hearing, the order in which they will be called, and the order of cross examination for each witness. The list of issues should be detailed enough to inform the Commission of each issue that must be resolved. The Commission will view any issue not contained in this list of issues as not requiring resolution by the Commission.
- B. Each party shall file a simple and concise statement summarizing its position on each issue. Position statements shall track the list of issues. Any position statement shall set forth any order requested, cite any law authorizing that relief, and allege facts relevant under the law with citations to any pre-filed testimony in support.
- C. All parties shall provide copies of testimony, schedules, exhibits, and pleadings to other counsel of record by electronic means and in electronic form essentially concurrently with the filing of such testimony, schedules, exhibits, or pleadings where the information is available in electronic format. Parties shall not be required to put information that does not exist in electronic format into electronic format for purposes of exchanging it.
- D. Testimony shall be pre-filed as defined in Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.130. All parties must comply with this rule, including the requirement that testimony be filed on line-numbered pages.
- E. All pleadings, briefs, and amendments shall be filed in accordance with Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.080. Briefs must set forth and cite the proper portions of the record in support of that party's position.

- F. If testimony or other exhibits have been pre-filed and served upon the Parties before a hearing, a party need only provide a copy of the testimony or exhibit for the court reporter and exhibit-marketing purposes during the evidentiary hearing. If a party marks testimony or an exhibit for use at the evidentiary hearing, which has not been pre-filed and served upon each other party, then said party shall have sufficient copies of the testimony or exhibit to provide a copy to the court reporter, each of the Commissioners, the presiding Regulatory Law Judge, and counsel for each other party.
- G. All parties shall bring an adequate number of copies of exhibits that they intend to offer into evidence at the hearing. If an exhibit has not been pre-filed, the party offering it must bring, in addition to the copy for the court reporter, copies for the five Commissioners, the Presiding Judge, and all counsel.
- H. Exhibit numbers for the hearing are assigned in the following manner:

Spire	1-99
Commission Staff	100-199
Office of the Public Counsel	200-299
Midwest Energy Consumers Group	300-349
Consumers Council of Missouri	350-399
Environmental Defense Fund	400-449

If any party requires additional exhibit numbers, it may add 1000 to its assigned numbers. For example, if Staff has exhibits in addition to exhibit number 199, its next exhibit numbers would be 1100, 1101, 1102, etc.

- 3. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

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

Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge


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 4th day of January, 2023.





Morris L. Woodruff
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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