

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

In the Matter of Spire Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Spire (East))
Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) Tariff Filing) File No. GR-2021-0127

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its *Request for Extension* to file the results of its ACA review and recommendations in this matter no later than May 27, 2022, states as follows:

1. On October 30, 2020, Spire Missouri Inc, d/b/a Spire (“Spire East”) filed a proposed tariff sheet bearing an effective date of November 16, 2020. The tariff sheet was filed to reflect changes in Spire East’s Purchased Gas Adjustment (“PGA”) factors as the result of an estimated change in the cost of natural gas from the 2019-2020 winter season and changes in the Actual Cost Adjustment (“ACA”) factors. This case was established to reconcile the actual gas costs for the 2019-2020 ACA period.

2. Staff filed a recommendation on November 9, 2020, in which Staff recommended the Commission approve the PGA and ACA factor rate changes, on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in ACA Case Nos. GR-2021-0127 and GR-2020-0121, and to be effective no sooner than November 16, 2020. Staff further stated in its recommendation a request that the Commission grant Staff permission to submit its results and recommendations regarding the information included in that ACA filing to the Commission on or before December 15, 2021.

3. On November 16, 2020, the Commission issued an order approving the ACA rate changes, on an interim basis subject to refund, to become effective on and

after November 16, 2020. In that same order the Commission ordered Staff to file the results and recommendations of its ACA review no later than December 15, 2021.

4. On November 19, 2021, Staff filed a request for an extension to file the results of its ACA review and recommendations in this matter no later than April 29, 2022, due to among other things, the many unique and very complex issues in this ACA filing that had been not considered in previous ACA filings. Staff further noted that this is the first ACA case where costs related to Spire East's contract with Spire STL Pipeline will be considered. The Commission granted Staff's request on November 30, 2021.

5. Staff has nearly completed its review in this case. Staff has submitted various data requests and follow up data requests to gather additional information and has received responses. Staff has also conducted numerous meetings with Spire personnel. Staff has begun drafting its recommendation but needs a few more weeks to follow up with Spire on a few remaining questions, and adequate time to finish drafting and processing its final recommendation report. Staff believes it will have its recommendation complete and ready for filing no later than May 27, 2022, but Staff will file its recommendation sooner should it be complete and ready for filing sooner than May 27, 2022.

6. Staff requests the Commission issue an order that states the current ACA rates remain interim subject to refund, pending the Commission's final decision in this matter, and grants Staff's request to file the results of its ACA review and recommendations in this matter no later than May 27, 2022. Staff has informed all intervenors in this matter of this request.

WHEREFORE, Staff requests the Commission issue an order that states the current ACA rates remain interim subject to refund, pending the Commission's final decision in this matter, and grants Staff's request to file the results of its ACA review and recommendations in this matter no later than May 27, 2022.

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 all counsel of record on this 21st day of April, 2022.

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