BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

STAFF REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its *Staff*Request for Extension to file its recommendation no later than November 30, 2020, respectfully states as follows:

- 1. On September 30, 2020, Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire ("Spire") filed its First Revised Tariff Sheet P.S.C. MO. No. 30.2 cancelling Original Tariff Sheet P.S.C. MO. 30.2 (Tariff Filing Nos. JG-2021-0090 and JG-2021-0091) for both its Eastern and Western Missouri operating divisions. These revised tariff sheets had an issue date of September 30, 2020, and an effective date of October 30, 2020.
- 2. Spire stated its tariff sheet filings were intended to modify the Commercial and Industrial (C/I) Rebate program language. The modified language is purported to allow Spire to provide incentives to small C/I customers and make available to eligible small business customers a recurring bill credit of \$100 for up to five months.
- 3. Staff filed a *Motion to Suspend Tariff Sheets* on October 6, 2020, and informed the Commission that Staff had begun its initial review of Spire's tariff sheet filings and believed that the proposed tariff revisions may involve items of interest to the Commission and other stakeholders. Staff moved the Commission to suspend the tariff sheet filings pursuant to Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.065 and create a docketed case so that Staff, and any other interested parties, would have further opportunity to review the requested changes.

4. On October 6, 2020, the Commission issued an order that suspended Spire's tariff sheets (Nos. JG-2021-0090 and JG-2021-0091) until December 30, 2020, and directed Staff to file either its recommendation or alternative pleading no later than November 16, 2020.

5. Staff has submitted data requests to Spire to gather more information on Spire's tariff sheet filings. Staff and Spire have also continued to have discussions regarding Spire's tariff sheet filings, and so that Staff and Spire may continue such discussions, Staff requests the Commission allow Staff to file its recommendation in this matter no later than November 30, 2020.

WHEREFORE Staff respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order directing Staff to file its recommendation no later than November 30, 2020; and grant such other and further relief as the Commission finds just 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 on this 16^{th} day of November, 2020.

/s/ Jamie S. Myers