# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Establishment of a Working )
Group and a Working Case for the Re-Writing )
of Spire, Inc.'s Cost Allocation Manual, Including )
its Standards of Conduct, as Necessary, for )
the Commission's Approval

File No. GW-2018-0367

## STAFF AMENDED MOTION FOR COMMISSION ORDER PROVIDING NOTICE OF WORKSHOP

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through Staff Counsel's Office, and requests that the Commission issue an Order in this workshop case and send copies to Parties in Spire Missouri, Inc.'s<sup>1</sup> most recent general rate increase cases (GR-2017-0215 and GR-2017-0216), excluding the City of St. Joseph, Missouri, providing Notice that the Staff will be holding an initial workshop on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, for the re-writing of Spire Missouri, Inc.'s Cost Allocation Manual ("CAM"), including its Standards of Conduct ("SOC"), as necessary, for the Commission's approval. The workshop will be in the Governor Office Building, Conference Room 470, starting at 9:30 a.m. and continue to approximately 3:00 p.m. with an abbreviated lunch break.

On July 10, 2018, Staff filed a similar Motion with the Commission requesting that the date for the initial workshop be set for August 21, 2018. Undersigned counsel certified that copies of the Motion had been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record in File Nos. GW-2018-0367, GR-2017-0215, and GR-2017-0216. Unfortunately, Spire Missouri is not available to attend a workshop in Jefferson City, Missouri on August 21.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Spire Missouri, Inc. (f/k/a Laclede Gas Company ("Laclede")) and its operating units Spire Missouri East (f/k/a Laclede Gas Company) and Spire Missouri West (f/k/a Missouri Gas Energy ("MGE")), referred to herein as "Spire Missouri."

As a consequence Staff is requesting that the Commission disregard the August 21 date previously requested by the Staff for an initial workshop in its July 10, 2018 Motion and instead provide Notice that the first workshop will be on September 5. Staff has conferred with Spire Missouri and the Office of the Public Counsel and both will be available on September 5.

Commission Staff requests that those entities or persons who plan to attend the workshop on September 5 should communicate with Staff counsel, Mark Johnson or Steven Dottheim, by August 10 what they think should be on the Agenda for the initial workshop, and whether the entity/person which he/she represents would be willing to make a presentation on a topic the entity/person thinks should be on the Agenda.<sup>2</sup>

The meeting is intended to be open to the public and not limited to anyone who may attend and participate, unless confidential information is deemed necessary to be discussed during a portion of the workshop. The rules of the Commission address such matters. If confidential information is necessary to be discussed, that part of the meeting will need to be briefly closed only to those who are not authorized to have access to such protected information. (See 4 CSR 240-2.135).

WHEREFORE Staff requests the Commission issue an Order providing Notice that the Staff will be holding an initial workshop on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, for the re-writing of Spire Missouri, Inc.'s CAM, including its SOC, in the Governor Office Building, Conference Room 470, starting at 9:30 a.m. and continue to approximately 3:00 p.m.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Staff in its earlier Motion provided entities or persons until August 1 to advise Staff counsel what they think should be on the Agenda for the initial workshop, and whether the entity or person which he/she represents would be willing to make a presentation on a topic the entity/person believes should be on the Agenda for September 5. Thus, the August 1 end date for contacting Staff counsel has been changed to August 10.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record in File Nos. GW-2018-0367, GR-2017-0215, and GR-2017-0216 this 19th day of July, 2018.

/s/ Steven Dottheim