

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

Vearline Nelson,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	<u>File No. GC-2021-0135</u>
)	
)	
Spire Missouri Inc., d/b/a Spire,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

**JOINT PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE
ON BEHALF OF STAFF AND SPIRE MISSOURI INC.**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”), by and through counsel, and Spire Missouri Inc., (“Spire”), by and through counsel, and for their *Joint Proposed Procedural Schedule on Behalf of Staff and Spire Missouri Inc.*, states as follows:

1. On March 10, 2021, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Filing of Procedural Schedule*, in which it ordered Staff to submit a proposed procedural schedule on behalf of the Parties no later than March 17, 2021.
2. On March 10, 2021, Spire called both numbers listed for the Complainant, Vearline Nelson (“Ms. Nelson” or “Complainant”), on the *Complaint* filed on November 6, 2020 to discuss the recent Order. Complainant did not answer either number or call back.
3. On March 11, 2021, Staff shared potential hearing dates with Spire via electronic mail. Also that same day, Staff called both phone numbers listed for Ms. Nelson on her *Complaint*. Complainant did not answer the phone, nor call back.
4. On March 12, 2021, Staff and Spire came to an agreement on potential dates to hold an evidentiary hearing in this matter via electronic mail.

5. On March 16, 2021, Staff and Spire came to an agreement on the whole of the procedural schedule outlined below via electronic mail.

6. On March 16, 2021, both Staff and Spire attempted to reach Complainant at the two phone numbers listed in her *Complaint*. Both Staff and Spire left voicemails asking for Complainant to call back regarding the procedural schedule.

7. On March 17, 2021, Staff again attempted to contact Complainant at the two phone numbers listed in her *Complaint*.

8. At the time of this filing, Complainant has not responded to either Staff or Spire's recent phone calls.

9. Further, though Complainant did include an email address in her *Complaint*, the Commission's data center discovered that the email address belongs to Complainant's daughter, who asked that the Commission not use her email address to contact her mother.

10. Staff and Spire have agreed to not file written testimony.

11. Staff and Spire recommend the Commission adopt the following proposed procedural schedule for this case:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Date</u>
Last Day to Request Discovery	April 23, 2021
Stipulation of Undisputed Facts	May 20, 2021
Issues and Witness List	May 24, 2021
Evidentiary Hearing	May 27, 28, or June 4, 2021
Briefs (if requested by Commission)	June 10, 11, or 18, 2021

WHEREFORE, Staff and Spire respectfully request the Commission issue an order setting the above-detailed procedural schedule from the dates proposed above, and to grant any such further relief as is just in these circumstances.

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 parties and/or counsel of record on this 17th day of March, 2021.

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