## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Request of Spire	)	
Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Spire for Waiver from	)	Case No. GE-2020-0295
Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-40.030(13)(BB)	)	

## PHMSA NOTICE OF NON-OBJECTION TO WAIVER

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and submits to the case file a letter attached hereto dated September 18, 2020 from the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) stating its non-objection to the waiver granted by the Commission to Spire Missouri, Inc. in the above-captioned case file.

Respectfully submitted,

## /s/ Robert S. Berlin

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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 this 24th day of September, 2020.

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U.S. Department of Transportation Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

September 18, 2020

Mr. Morris L. Woodruff Secretary, Chief Regulatory Law Judge Missouri Public Service Commission 200 Madison Street, Suite 900 Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Re: Docket No. PHMSA-2020-0112 State of Missouri – Public Service Commission, File No. GE-2020-0295

Dear Mr. Woodruff:

On September 2, 2020, pursuant to 49 United States Code (USC) § 60118(d), the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) received a letter from the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) notifying PHMSA that the Commission granted a waiver of 49 Code of Federal Regulations § 192.740 to Spire Missouri, Inc. (Company). This waiver will allow the Company to include their farm tap inspection program into the Company Distribution Integrity Management Program (DIMP).

The Commission issued the waiver to the Company to continuously monitor farm taps for heightened levels of risk under DIMP, to implement applicable pipeline regulations regarding farm taps, and to provide quarterly and annual reports on leaks and other pressure regulating or pressure limiting device failures of farm tap facilities to the Commission Staff. The waiver applies to the Company's Spire Missouri East and Spire Missouri West pipeline operating units.

Pursuant to 49 USC § 60118(d), PHMSA does not object to issuance of this waiver by the Commission for the Spire Missouri East and Spire Missouri West pipeline facilities provided the Company complies with the conditions set forth in the waiver. PHMSA requests that a copy of the Commission's final waiver to the Company be forwarded to PHMSA within 30 days of issuance.

If you wish to discuss this or any other pipeline safety matter, my staff would be pleased to assist

you. Please contact Sentho White, Director of Engineering and Research Division, at 202-366-2415, for technical matters.

Sincerely,

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