

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Request of Spire )  
Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire for a Temporary )  
Waiver from Commission Rules 20 CSR )  
4240-40.030 (9)(Q), (13)(M), (15)(C), )  
(15)(D) and (15)(E) and Orders Pertaining )  
to Inspections and Replacements )

**File No. GE-2020-0373**

## ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION TO FILE STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: February 17, 2021

Effective Date: February 17, 2021

On January 18, 2021, Spire Missouri Inc. filed a motion to modify the Commission's December 2, 2020 *Order Modifying Temporary Waiver and Directing Written Notice*. Spire requests the Commission extend the period of waiver from March 31 to October 31, 2021. In addition, Spire requests the Commission remove a one-year limit on noncompliance for any location, which is required as a condition of waiver by the Commission's June 11, 2020 *Order Approving Application for Temporary Waiver and Directing Written Notice*. Spire requests expedited treatment.

After directing Staff to file an expedited recommendation, the Commission on January 25, 2021, granted Staff's *Motion for Extension* and directed Staff to file its recommendation no later than February 17, 2021.

On February 17, Staff filed a *Staff Status Report and Motion for Short Extension*. Staff's motion reports Staff is consulting with the USDOT Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) and is awaiting additional input from PHMSA later this week, which it will use to prepare a recommendation. Staff requests it be allowed through February 22, 2021, to prepare its recommendation.

Because PHMSA's review is ultimately necessary for Spire's waiver request, the Commission will grant the request for extension to enable Staff to consult with PHMSA. If Staff is able to offer its recommendation before February 22, it is encouraged to do so.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. No later than February 22, 2021, Staff shall file a recommendation regarding Spire's motion to modify waiver of gas safety requirements, filed on January 18, 2021.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Jana C. Jacobs, Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant  
to Section 386.240, RSMo (2016).

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on the 17th day of February, 2021.