# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Ronald E. Taylor,	)
Complainant,	)
V.	File No. GC-2022-0137
Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire,	)
Respondent	)

# ORDER REGARDING SERVICE OF DOCUMENTS AND DIRECTING FILING OF A PROPOSED PROCEDURAL CONFERENCE DATE OR PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Issue Date: March 2, 2022 Effective Date: March 2, 2022

On November 17, 2021, Ronald E. Taylor filed a formal complaint with the Commission against Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire. On January 26, 2022, the Commission issued an order setting a procedural conference for February 15, 2022, to be conducted via WebEx video and teleconference.

The procedural conference was conducted as ordered on February 15, 2022. Counsel for Spire and Staff appeared for the conference. Mr. Taylor did not appear via WebEx video or telephone and did not contact the Commission to request a continuance of the hearing. On February 16, 2022, the Commission ordered Mr. Taylor to file a pleading showing cause as to why his complaint should not be dismissed for failure to appear for the procedural conference.

On February 25, 2022, Mr. Taylor filed his *Complainant Response to Show Cause Why Complaint Should Not Be Dismissed*, in which he stated that he has not received any correspondence regarding his complaint via email or the United States Postal Service

(USPS) and was unaware of the scheduled procedural conference. Mr. Taylor requested that previous documents filed in his case be sent to him via USPS, as well as any future documents.

The Commission finds good cause for Mr. Taylor's failure to appear for the February 15<sup>th</sup> procedural conference and will allow his case to proceed. The Commission will order the Data Center of the Commission to mail to Mr. Taylor, via USPS, copies of all pleadings, orders, and other documents filed in this matter, as well as future orders. The Commission will also order the parties to serve Mr. Taylor via USPS with copies of any future pleadings and other documents filed in this matter.

The Commission will instruct the parties to collaborate and propose a date, time, and location for a new procedural conference or, if the parties agree that a procedural conference is not necessary, a joint proposed procedural schedule shall be filed instead.

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- The Data Center shall mail to Complainant Ronald Taylor, via USPS, copies
  of all pleadings, orders, and other documents filed in this matter, including this order and
  future orders.
- 2. The parties shall serve Mr. Taylor via USPS with copies of any future pleadings and other documents filed in this matter.
- 3. Staff shall coordinate with the parties and file, no later than March 15, 2022, a proposed date and time in the month of April for a procedural conference. Should the parties agree that a procedural conference is unnecessary, Staff shall file, no later than March 15, 2022, a joint proposed procedural schedule in lieu of a procedural conference. Regardless of whether the filing proposes a procedural conference or a procedural

schedule, it shall state the parties' preference as to whether the procedural conference or, if proposing a procedural schedule, the evidentiary hearing, shall be held in person (and, if so, the proposed location within the City of St. Louis), via WebEx video/teleconference, or a hybrid of in-person/WebEx.

4. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Kenneth J. Seyer, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority under Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2022.

## STATE OF MISSOURI

### OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this  $2^{nd}$  day of March, 2022.

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Morris L. Woodruff

**Secretary** 

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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