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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20426

The Hon. Richard Glick, Chairman  
The Hon. Neil Chatterjee, Commissioner  
The Hon. James Danly, Commissioner

The Hon. Allison Clements, Commissioner  
The Hon. Mark C. Christie, Commissioner

Re: Spire STL Pipeline LLC Temporary Certificate Application in Emergency  
Docket No. CP17-40-000

Dear Chairman Glick and Commissioners:

Thank you for your continued leadership in furthering the development of safe and reliable U.S. energy infrastructure. I write in support of Spire STL Pipeline, LLC's (STL Pipeline) [July 26, 2021] temporary certificate application at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

Until recently, more than 650,000 residents and businesses in the St. Louis region lacked direct access to reliable, affordable, and abundant natural gas supplies from diverse domestic sources. The STL Pipeline changed this by tapping into gas supply from the Rockies and Appalachian Basins, providing resilience and supply diversity both year-round and when St. Louis needs are most critical.

The STL Pipeline has already demonstrated its critical role in keeping vulnerable populations in my county and the St. Louis area warm and providing the regional economy significant benefits as it emerges from the pandemic. While others across central United States struggled with gas supply constraints and high costs during Storm Uri in February 2021, STL Pipeline ensured the region had access to affordable energy during this difficult time, saving ratepayers up to \$300 million in the process.

I support STL Pipeline's application so that my constituents and all residents and businesses in the Greater St. Louis region can avoid potentially dire and life-threatening gas shortages in the months ahead and throughout the winter. I look forward to the FERC's prompt consideration and response on the temporary certificate application for this crucial energy infrastructure. Please do not hesitate to reach out if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. Ehlmann".

Steve Ehlmann, County Executive