# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service,	)
Commission,	)
Complainant,	)
V.	)
Spire Missouri Inc., d/b/a Spire	)
Respondent.	)

File No. GC-2022-0087

# <u>SPIRE MISSOUR INC.'S THIRD REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME</u> <u>TO FILE A RESOLUTION, ANSWER OR STATUS UPDATE</u>

**COMES NOW** Spire Missouri Inc. ("Spire" or "Company") and, in response to the Missouri Public Service Commission's ("Commission") September 28, 2021 *Notice of Complaint and Order Establishing Time to Respond* ("Order"), the Company submits this *Request for Additional Time to File a Resolution, Answer or Status Update*, respectfully stating as follows:

1. On September 28, 2021, the Staff of the Commission filed the underlying Complaint. On that same day, the Commission issued its Order pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.070 giving Spire 30 days, until October 28, 2021 to respond to Staff's Complaint.

2. On October 28, 2021, Spire filed a Request for Extension of Time to File a Resolution, Answer or Status Update.

3. On October 29, 2021, the Commission granted Spire's Request for Extension.

4. On December 3, 2021, Spire filed a Second Request of Extension of Time to File a Resolution, Answer, or Status Report.

4. On December 7, 2021, the Commission granted Spire's request and granted an extension until December 20, 2021.

5. Spire and Staff are engaged in ongoing discussions regarding a resolution to the underlying Complaint and believe they have reached an agreement in principle and are hopeful a final draft of the agreement will be completed in the near future. The Company therefore requests that it be given until January 7, 2022 to file either an agreed upon a resolution to the Complaint, Status Update or Response with the Commission.

6. Counsel for Spire has communicated with counsel for Staff regarding this request and they have indicated that they have no objection to this request.

**WHEREFORE**, Spire Missouri respectfully requests that the Commission grants its Request for additional time, until January 7, 2022, to either file a resolution, answer or status update in the underlying cause.

Respectfully submitted,

#### <u>/s/Rachel L. Níemeier</u>

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# ATTORNEYS FOR SPIRE MISSOURI INC

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing pleading was served on the parties to this case on this 20th day of December 2021, by hand-delivery, fax, electronic mail or by regular mail, postage prepaid.

# /s/Rachel L. Níemeíer