## 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	) Case No. GE-2020-0373
Commission Rules 20 CSR 4240-40.030(9)(Q),	)
(13)(M), (15)(C), (15)(D) and (15)(E) and Orders	)
Pertaining to Inspections and Replacement	)

## PHMSA NOTICE OF NON-OBJECTION TO WAIVER EXTENSION

**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 December 17, 2020 from the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) stating its non-objection to the waiver extension granted by the Commission to Spire Missouri, Inc. in the above-captioned case file.

Respectfully submitted,

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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 on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2020.

/s/ Robert S. Berlin



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

December 17, 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-2020-0080 State of Missouri – Public Service Commission, File No. GE-2020-0373

Dear Mr. Woodruff:

On December 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 extension of 49 Code of Federal Regulations §§ 192.481(a), 192.723(a) and (b)(1) to Spire Missouri, Inc. (Company). This waiver extension will allow the Company to complete all required pipeline atmospheric corrosion inspections and leakage surveys by no later than March 31, 2021, instead of December 31, 2020.

The Commission issued the waiver to the Company for inspection and survey interval extensions for pipeline facilities located inside of customer premises to address public and worker health social distancing orders and guidelines due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 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 extension 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. I request that a copy of the Commission's final waiver to the Company be forwarded to PHMSA.

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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Alan K. Mayberry, Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety