

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 26th day of May, 2021.

In the Matter of Spire Missouri Inc's d/b/a)	
Spire Motion for Expedited Treatment of its)	<u>File No. GO-2021-0115</u>
COVID-19 Residential Assistance)	Tariff Nos. YG-2021-0202 and
Program Tariff Filing)	YG-2021-0203

**SECOND ORDER APPROVING RESIDENTIAL ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM TARIFF SHEETS EXTENDING THE PROGRAM AND
GRANTING MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT**

Issue Date: May 26, 2021

Effective Date: June 1, 2021

On May 24, 2021, Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire filed tariff sheets to extend its COVID-19 Residential Assistance Program for Spire Missouri East and Spire Missouri West along with a motion for expedited treatment. This is the second time Spire has filed tariff sheets and a motion to extend this program on short notice to the Commission. The Residential Assistance Program was originally approved by the Commission to be effective November 7, 2020, through March 31, 2021. On March 24, 2021, the Commission approved tariff sheets to extend that program an additional two months from March 31, 2021, to May 31, 2021.

Under the COVID-19 Residential Assistance Program, eligible customers receive \$100 upon enrollment and Spire contributes a dollar for dollar match of up to \$300 towards a customer's past due bills. Spire states that the ongoing financial impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic continue to impact its customers. Consequently, Spire is requesting to extend the program an additional month, to June 30, 2021. Spire's proposed tariff sheets bear an effective date of June 23, 2021. However, Spire's motion for expedited

treatment requests that the Commission allow the tariff sheets to become effective June 1, 2021, so that there is no gap in the program.

Spire's pleading represents that the Staff of the Commission (Staff) and the Office of the Public Counsel have reviewed the proposed tariff sheets and have no objections. The Commission ordered Staff to file its expedited recommendation regarding the tariff sheets by May 25, 2021, along with any responses to those tariff sheets or Spire's motion. Staff recommends the Commission approve the tariff sheets to be effective June 1, 2021. No other responses were received.

The Commission has authority to approve tariff sheets pursuant to Sections 393.140(11) and 393.150, RSMo. The Commission has reviewed the tariff sheets and Staff's recommendation. The Commission finds that Spire has demonstrated good cause to make the tariff sheets effective in less than thirty days. Permitting the tariff sheets to become effective on June 1, 2021, will prevent any gap in the administration of the COVID-19 Residential Assistance Program.

The Commission will issue its order with an effective date of June 1, 2021, to coincide with the date the tariff sheets become effective.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Spire's motion for expedited treatment is granted.
2. The tariff sheets filed by Spire on May 24, 2021, and assigned Tariff Nos. YG-2021-0202 and YG-2021-0203 are approved to become effective on June 1, 2021.

The tariff sheets approved are:

P.S.C. MO. No. 7
Second Revised Sheet R-31.4 Cancelling First Revised Sheet No. R-31.4

P.S.C. MO. No. 8
Second Revised Sheet R-31.4 Cancelling First Revised Sheet No. R-31.4

3. This order shall be effective on June 1, 2021.
4. This file shall be closed on June 2, 2021.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Rupp, Coleman, Holsman, and
Kolkmeier CC., concur.

Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge