

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

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO SHORTEN DATA REQUEST  
TIME LIMITS AND DIRECTING STAFF TO FILE A RECOMMENDATION**

Issue Date: October 28, 2020

Effective Date: October 28, 2020

On October 16, 2020, Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire filed a motion to modify the Commission’s June 11, 2020 *Order Approving Application for Temporary Waiver and Directing Written Notice*. Spire’s motion requests expedited treatment.

On October 22, 2020, the Staff of the Commission filed a status report stating that it is consulting with the Pipeline Hazardous Materials Safety Administration and expects to be able to file a recommendation by no later than November 20, 2020. Staff’s report was accompanied by a motion to shorten data request time limits for any additional data requests in this case. Staff requested the Commission shorten the response time to five business days and shorten the period to object or seek extension to two business days.

On October 22, 2020, the Commission ordered that any response to Staff’s motion to shorten data request time limits be filed no later than October 27, 2020. No response has been received. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.090(2) establishes time limits for objection and response to data requests. Time limits may be modified by the Commission for good cause shown or upon agreement by the parties.<sup>1</sup> Given Spire’s request for

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<sup>1</sup> Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.090(2)(G).

expedited treatment, the Commission finds good cause exists to shorten data request time limits for additional requests in this case.

The Commission will grant Staff's request to shorten data request time limits for any additional data requests in this case and will direct Staff to file a recommendation, consistent with Staff's status report.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. Time limits for data requests in this case, issued on or after the date of this order, are shortened to five business days to respond and two business days to object or seek extension.
2. No later than November 20, 2020, Staff shall file a recommendation regarding Spire's motion to modify the Commission's *Order Approving Application for Temporary Waiver and Directing Written Notice*.
3. This order shall be effective when issued.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Jana C. Jacobs, Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant to  
Section 386.240, RSMo (2016).

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 28th day of October, 2020.