# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of Spire Missouri Inc. to Change its Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge in its Spire Missouri East Service Territory

Case No. GO-2018-0309

Tariff No. YG-2019-0047

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION ON COMPLIANCE TARIFF FILING

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and pursuant to the Commission's September 24, 2018 Order Directing Staff to File a Recommendation and Setting Deadline for Responses submits its Staff Recommendation on Compliance Tariff Filing to the Commission as set forth in the attached memorandum, and in support states as follows:

1. On September 20, 2018, the Commission issued a *Report and Order* which authorized Spire Missouri Inc. ("Spire") to file tariff sheets for its Spire Missouri East service territory to establish an Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge to recover the revenue as authorized in the *Report and Order* with an ISRS rate for each customer class as described in the *Report and Order*.

2. On September 21, 2018, Spire filed a tariff sheet intended to comply with the Commission's September 20<sup>th</sup> *Report and Order*, which tariff sheet bears a proposed effective date of October 21, 2018. This tariff filing has been designated as Tariff Tracking No. YG-2019-0047.

3. Also on September 21, 2018, Spire filed an *Application for Expedited Treatment and Approval of Compliance Tariffs on Less Than 30 Days' Notice* in which Spire requested that the tariff sheet filed on September 21<sup>st</sup> become effective for service no later than October 5, 2018.

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4. On September 24, 2018, the Commission issued an *Order Directing Staff to File a Recommendation and Setting Deadline for Responses* which ordered Staff to file, no later than September 27, 2018, a recommendation as to whether the tariff sheet filed by Spire is in compliance with the Commission's *Report and Order* and whether Staff objects to the request for expedited treatment.

5. Staff's recommendation is attached hereto and is incorporated herein by reference. As reflected in the attached, Staff has reviewed the tariff sheet filed by Spire on September 21, 2018, and has determined that the rates therein comply with those authorized by the Commission and that the tariff sheet is in compliance with the Commission's *Report and Order*.

6. Given the circumstances under which this tariff was filed, Staff does not object to the request for expedited treatment.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order in this case that approves the following tariff sheet (Tariff Tracking No. YG-2019-0047) as filed on September 21, 2018, to go into effect on October 5, 2018, as requested by Spire:

P.S.C. MO. No. 7 Consolidated First Revised Sheet No. 12, Cancelling Original Sheet No. 12

Respectfully submitted,

## /s/ Jeffrey A. Keevil

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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 this 27th day of September, 2018.

/s/ Jeffrey A. Keevil

# **MEMORANDUM**

- **TO:** Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File File No. GO-2018-0309, Tariff Tracking No. YG-2019-0047 Spire Missouri Inc.-East
- FROM: Michael J. Ensrud, Rate & Tariff Examiner, Procurement Analysis

/s/ David M. Sommerer 09/27/18/s/ Jeffrey A. Keevil 09/27/18Commission Staff Division / DateStaff Counsel's Office / Date

- **SUBJECT:** Staff Report and Recommendation Regarding Spire East's Compliance Tariff Submission and Application for Expedited Treatment
- **DATE:** September 27, 2018

On September 21, 2018, Spire Missouri Inc. ("Spire East" or "Company") filed "Spire Missouri Inc.'s Application for Expedited Treatment and Approval of Compliance Tariffs on Less than 30 Days' Notice". In addition, on September 21, 2018, Spire East provided a revised tariff sheet No. 12 in order to comply with the Commission's Report and Order – issued September 20, 2018 - in the above-referenced case. The effective date of the Company's September 21, 2018 tariff sheet was October 21, 2018.

On September 24, 2018, the Commission issued its "Order Directing Staff to File a Recommendation and Setting Deadline for Responses". The order directs Staff to file a recommendation not later than September 27, 2018.

The filed rates produce annual ISRS revenues of  $$2,607,610^{1}$ . This amount is consistent with what the Commission ordered in its Report and Order referenced above.

Staff does not raise any objections to Spire Missouri Inc.'s Application for Expedited Treatment and Approval of Compliance Tariffs on Less than 30 Days' Notice. Spire East has requested an effective date of October 5, 2018 or sooner.

As of the issuance of this memo, Spire East is not delinquent on its FY 2018 and FY 2019 assessments.

<sup>1</sup> Staff has verified these rates produce this annual amount via separate calculations.

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

Based upon the rationale stated above, Staff recommends the Commission issue an order in this case that:

- 1. Approves Spire East's ISRS tariff sheet (YG-2019-0047) P.S.C. MO No. 7 Consolidated, First Revised Sheet No. 12 as filed on September 21, 2018, but with an expedited effective date of October 5, 2018.
- 2. Finds that the compliance filing will generate the \$2,607,610 as referenced by Spire East and as set forth in the Commission's Report and Order.

P.S.C. MO. No. 7 Consolidated

First Revised Sheet No. 12, CANCELLING Original Sheet No. 12

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File No. GO-2018-0309

### **AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL J. ENSRUD**

STATE OF MISSOURI	)	
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COUNTY OF COLE	)	

**COMES NOW MICHAEL J. ENSRUD** and on his oath declares that he is of sound mind and lawful age; that he contributed to the foregoing Staff Recommendation in Memorandum form; and that the same is true and correct according to his best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.

### JURAT

Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this 25 day of September 2018.

D. SUZIE MANKIN Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for Cole County My Commission Expires: December 12, 2020 Commission Number: 12412070

Notary Public