

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a	)	
Spire's Application for Approval of a	)	Case No. GO-2022-0327
Revised Cost Allocation Manual	)	

**JOINT STATUS REPORT**

Spire Missouri Inc. ("Spire Missouri" or the "Company"), Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), the Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC"), and the Midwest Energy Consumers Group (collectively, the "Parties") respectfully submit this Joint Status Report in the above-captioned docket and request this matter be set aside for another ninety (90) days as follows:

1. On May 24, 2022, the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") opened Case No. GO-2022-0327 for purposes of reviewing Spire Missouri's Draft Cost Allocation Manual ("CAM") and motion for approval of the CAM, both of which were filed in Case No. GW-2018-0367. The Commission ordered responses to Spire Missouri's CAM to be filed no later than June 21, 2022.

2. On June 21, 2022, OPC filed its response to the Company's CAM, requesting that the Commission deny Spire Missouri's request but also suggesting that discussions among the Parties could resolve some of OPC's concerns. It was the only party to file a response.

3. On June 27, 2022, the Commission scheduled a procedural conference to discuss how the Parties wanted to proceed in this matter, noting that it would like to proceed expeditiously in considering Spire Missouri's CAM.

4. On July 26, 2022, the procedural conference was held. The Parties agreed to set aside this matter for ninety (90) days to discuss the CAM and a possible resolution. The Commission ordered the Parties to file a status report no later than October 24, 2022.

5. On October 24, 2022, the Parties filed a joint status report requesting an additional ninety (90) days to resolve this matter without the need for a procedural schedule, which the Commission granted. The Commission ordered the next status report to be filed on January 23, 2023.

6. On November 4, 2022, in Case No. GR-2022-0179, Spire Missouri's most recent general rate case, a Full and Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement ("Stipulation and Agreement") was filed, in which the Parties to this case agreed that any resolution would include the following: (1) Periodic updates on the transfer of employees from Spire Missouri to Spire Services Inc.; (2) Additional rules and parameters for contracts with Company affiliates; (3) Updates to the CAM as needed to reflect changes to corporate structures and hierarchies, including those resulting from acquisitions and mergers; and (4) Quarterly CAM transaction data reporting in the format provided by Staff. The Commission approved the Stipulation and Agreement on November 30, 2022.

7. On January 1, 2023, Spire Missouri transitioned certain employees from Spire Missouri to Spire Services Inc, and the Company provided its first post-transfer update on January 18, 2023. Spire will continue to provide updates every sixty (60) days on the transition in Case No. GR-2021-0108. In addition to providing updates on this transition, Spire Missouri is in the process of developing quarterly reporting in the format requested by Staff and implementing provisions of the Stipulation and Agreement related to the direct assignment of shared services salaries and wages costs. The Company is also continuing to analyze the impacts of the changes to the CAM and other reporting requirements.

8. The Parties agree that setting aside this matter for another ninety (90) days would be beneficial in order for Spire Missouri to further evaluate the impacts of the Stipulation and Agreement to the CAM and finalize the transition of employees from Spire Missouri to Spire

Services Inc. An additional ninety (90) day stay will also provide additional time for negotiations to resolve this matter without a procedural schedule.

**WHEREFORE**, the Parties respectfully request that the Commission issue an order setting aside this matter for another ninety (90) days so that the Parties may continue to discuss the CAM and evaluate the impacts of the Stipulation and Agreement, direct the Parties to file a status report no later than Monday, April 24, 2023, and grant such other relief as the Commission deems proper.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ J. Antonio Arias

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**ATTORNEYS FOR SPIRE MISSOURI INC.**

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been sent by electronic mail to all counsel of record on this 23rd day of January, 2023.

/s/ Lew Keathley

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