

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

In the Matter of the Application of Spire Missouri)
Inc. d/b/a Spire for a Temporary Variance of its)
Meter Sampling Program for Diaphragm Meters)
During Deployment of Ultrasonic Automated)
Metering Infrastructure)

File No. GE-2023-0354

STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”), by and through counsel, and for its *Status Report*, states the following:

1. On April 11, 2023, Spire Missouri, Inc. (“Spire”) filed an application requesting that the Commission grant a variance from the Company’s meter sampling program, authorized by the Commission to meet the requirements of 20 CSR 4240- 10.030 (19), for diaphragm meters during the deployment of ultrasonic automated metering infrastructure. Spire also requested waiver of the Commission’s rule requiring sixty days’ notice prior to filing an application.

2. On April 11, 2023, the Commission ordered Staff to file a recommendation regarding the application, or a status report, by May 11, 2023.

3. Staff sent Spire data requests on April 12 and April 28, 2023. Spire’s responses to Staff’s April 28, 2023 data requests are not due until May 18, 2023.

4. Staff requests an additional 60 days to complete its analysis. The purpose of this request is not to cause undue delay or inconvenience to the parties or the Commission. Therefore, Staff request the Commission order staff’s recommendation to be due by July 10, 2023.

5. The undersigned counsel emailed with Spire's counsel asking whether they objected to this request. These counsel stated that they do not oppose this request.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests until July 10, 2023 to file a recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 11th day of May, 2023.

/s/ Eric Vandergriff