# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Spire	)	
Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire to Change its	)	Case No. GO-2022-0339
Infrastructure System Replacement	)	Tariff No. YG-2022-0272
Surcharge in its Spire Missouri East and	)	YG-2023-0063
West Service Territories	)	

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION REGARDING COMPLIANCE TARIFF

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and in response to the Commission's October 5, 2022, *Order Approving Stipulation and Agreement* ("Order") submits its *Staff Recommendation Regarding Compliance Tariff* to the Commission and in support thereof states as follows:

- 1. On October 5, 2022, the Commission issued its *Order Approving Stipulation* and *Agreement*, which approved the *Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement* and granted a request for waiver of the 60-day notice requirement of Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1)(D). It further ordered Spire to file a tariff revision conforming to the *Unanimous Stipulation* and *Agreement* approved by the Order by October 7, 2022, and Staff to file a response to any compliance tariff revision indicating whether it complies with the terms of the *Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement* by October 11, 2022.
- 2. On October 5, 2022, Spire Missouri filed a *Motion for Expedited Treatment* and *Tariff Revision* (YG-2023-0063). Spire Missouri's tariff sheet has an effective date of November 5, 2022, but Spire Missouri has included a request that the Commission allow the tariff to go into effect on October 21, 2022.
- 3. As mentioned in the attached Staff Memorandum, and incorporated herein, Staff has reviewed Spire Missouri's compliance tariff filing and finds that the tariff sheet complies with the *Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement* and the Commission's Order.

Staff does not object to the Commission allowing the tariff to go into effect sooner than November 5, 2022, but recommends that the Commission provide for at least 10 days between the issue date of an order approving the compliance tariff sheet and the effective date of the tariff sheet.<sup>1</sup>

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated above and in the attached and incorporated Staff Memorandum, Staff recommends the Commission issue an order in this case that:

- 1. Approves Spire Missouri's ISRS tariff sheet (Tariff Tracking No. YG-2023-0063) P.S.C. MO No. 9 Second Revised Sheet No. 12 filed on October 5, 2022.
- 2. Approves an effective date for the tariff sheet that is at least 10 days after the issue date of a Commission order approving such tariff.

Respectfully submitted,

# /s/ J. Scott Stacey

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been transmitted by electronic mail to counsel of record this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022.

#### /s/ J. Scott Stacey

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Commission orders issued on September 28, 2018 in Case Nos. GO-2018-0309 and GO-2018-0310.

### **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File

Case No. GO-2022-0339, Tariff Tracking No. YG-2023-0063

Spire Missouri Inc., d/b/a Spire

**FROM:** David M. Sommerer, Regulatory Compliance Manager, Procurement Analysis

/s/ David M. Sommerer 10/11/2022 /s/ Scott Stacey 10/11/2022 Financial and Business Analysis/Date Staff Counsel's Office/Date

SUBJECT: Staff Report and Recommendation Regarding Spire's ISRS Tariff Submission -

Compliance filing.

**DATE:** October 7, 2022

On October 5, 2022, the Commission issued its "Order Approving Stipulation and Agreement" authorizing Spire Missouri Inc., d/b/a Spire to file a new tariff sheet to recover the revenue requirement authorized.

On October 5, 2022, Spire filed "Spire Missouri, Inc.'s Motion for Expedited Treatment" a cover letter, and P.S.C. MO. No. 9, Second Revised Sheet No. 12 – a compliance tariff sheet (YG-2023-0063). The proposed effective date on the tariff sheet is November 5, 2022. However, in its motion, Spire requests an effective date of October 21, 2022. Also on October 5, 2022, the Commission ordered that on or before October 11, 2022, Staff file a recommendation indicating whether the compliance tariff complies with the terms of Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement.

Staff reviewed Spire's tariff sheet and finds that it complies with the Commission's October 5, 2022 order and the terms of the Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement. Staff does not object to expedited treatment that provides for at least 10 days between the issue date and the effective date of the Commission order approving the tariff sheet. This is consistent with the September 28, 2018 Commission "Order Granting Expedited Treatment and Approving Tariff Filings in Compliance with Commission Order" in Case Nos. GO-2018-0309 and GO-2018-0310.

Spire has filed its 2021 annual report with the Commission.

As of the issuance of this memo, Spire is not delinquent on its FY 2022 assessments.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

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

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- 1. Approves Spire's ISRS tariff sheet (YG-2023-0063) P.S.C. MO No. 9 Second Revised Sheet No. 12 filed on October 5, 2022.
- 2. Approves an effective date for the tariff sheet that is at least 10 days after the Commission's order.

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AFFIDAVIT OF DAVID M. SOMMERER					
STATE OF MISSOURI	)				
COUNTY OF COLE	) ss. )				

**COMES NOW** David M. Sommerer, 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, under penalty of perjury.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.

David M. Sommerer

#### **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 644 day of October, 2022.

DIANNA L VAUGHT Notary Public - Netary Seal STATE OF MISSOURI Cole County

My Commission finaless: July 18, 2023 Commission E: 15207377 Dianna L. Vaust Notary Public