

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

In the Matter of Spire Missouri Inc.'s Verified	)	
Application for Issuance of a Depreciation	)	<b><u>File No. GO-2020-0416</u></b>
Authority Order Related to Smart Meter Devices	)	

**STAFF STATUS REPORT**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, pursuant to the *Order Directing Notice and Settling Deadlines for Intervention Applications and Staff's Recommendation* (Order) issued by the Commission on June 26, 2020, and states as follows:

1. The Commission's Order directed, in part, that Staff shall file either a recommendation or a status report indicating when it expects to file a recommendation regarding Spire Missouri Inc.'s verified application seeking a depreciation authority order related to its installation of smart meter devices.

2. Staff reports that it is still conducting discovery regarding Spire's application and requires additional time to prepare its recommendation. Staff anticipates filing its recommendation no later than August 27, 2020, and will file earlier if possible.

**WHEREFORE** Staff prays the Commission accept its status report submitted in accordance with the Commission's June 26<sup>th</sup> Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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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 27<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020.

**/s/ Robert S. Berlin**