BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Spire Missouri Inc. for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Maintain, and Otherwise Control and Manage a Natural Gas Distribution System in and around the City of Oronogo In Jasper County, Missouri as an Expansion Of its Existing Certificated Areas

File No. GA-2023-0038

STAFF STATUS REPORT AND MOTION FOR EXTENSION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") and for its *Staff Status Report and Motion for Extension*, states as follows:

1. On August 5, 2022, Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire ("Spire Missouri"), filed an application that seeks permission and approval for a certificate of convenience and necessity ("CCN") to construct, install, own, operate, maintain, and otherwise control and manage a natural gas distribution system to provide natural gas service in and around the City of Oronogo, Missouri in Jasper County. Spire Missouri also seeks permission and approval to acquire the natural gas assets of the City of Oronogo.

2. On August 8, 2022, the Commission issued an order and directed Staff to file a recommendation regarding Spire Missouri's application or a request for extension of time no later than September 22, 2022.

3. Staff has submitted data requests to Spire Missouri and Staff is in the process of reviewing the data request responses received from Spire Missouri. Staff also anticipates it will need to send follow up data requests. As such, Staff requests an extension of time to file its recommendation. Staff requests the Commission permit Staff to file its recommendation in this matter no later than December 20, 2022.

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4. Staff has reached out to Spire Missouri and Spire Missouri stated that it has no objection to Staff's request to file its recommendation no later than December 20, 2022.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests the Commission accept and grant this *Staff Status Report and Motion for Extension* and permit Staff to file its recommendation no later than December 20, 2022; and grant such other and further relief as the Commission considers reasonable in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile, or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 22nd day of September, 2022.

/s/ Jamie S. Myers