BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of Spire Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Spire's Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Natural Gas Service Provided in the Company's Missouri Service Areas

File No. GR-2022-0179

ORDER DIRECTING RESPONSES REGARDING LOCAL PUBLIC HEARING

Issue Date: July 29, 2022

Effective Date: July 29, 2022

On June 29, 2022, Consumer Council of Missouri (CCM) filed its Motion Regarding Local Public Hearings. That motion requested that the Commission set three in-person local public hearings and one virtual local public hearing. CCM's request contemplated two local public hearings in the St. Louis area, one local public hearing in Kansas City, and a virtual local public hearing. CCM proposed the dates of September 13-15, 2022.

Staff filed a response supporting CCM's request. Spire Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Spire filed a response stating that it would need to take action quickly to meet the proposed lead times for printing and mailing for those dates. The Commission set a deadline of July 20, 2022, for any other local public hearing recommendations and a deadline of July 27, 2022, for proposed local public hearing notice language.

On July 20, 2022, CCM filed notice of letters in support of in-person local public hearings. Spire filed a response stating to meet the lead times for printing and mailing for the September dates it would need the approved local public hearing notice no later than July 25, 2022.

The Commission will hold three local public hearings in this rate case. One local public hearing will be held in-person in the St. Louis area, one local public hearing will be

held virtually, and one local public hearing will be held in Kansas City. The dates for those hearings will be October 12th in the evening, October 13th at noon, and October 18th in the evening, respectively. The Commission will direct the parties to file proposed locations for the St. Louis and Kansas City local public hearings.

Written notice of a local public hearing must be mailed to customers at least 10 days prior to the hearing.¹ The Commission will direct Spire to inform the Commission of the date by which it needs approved notice language prior to printing and mailing.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. No later than August 9, 2022, the parties in this case shall file proposed locations for local public hearings in St. Louis and Kansas City.

2. No later than August 9, 2022, Spire shall inform the Commission when it needs approved notice language for the local public hearing notices

3. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

John T. Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 29th day of July, 2022.

¹ Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-10.075(7).

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 29th day of July, 2022.



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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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