# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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

Case No. GR-2022-0179

#### **STAFF'S CLARIFICATION OF TEST YEAR RESPONSE**

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**COMES NOW**, Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) states the following:

1. On May 6, 2022, Staff filed its *Staff Response to Proposed Test Year*, which stated that "By providing for a true-up period through September 30, 2022, there would no longer be a need for an update period." Staff has encountered confusion from other parties in the case concerning this statement. Staff's filing should be construed that no *ordered* update period would be necessary. Staff would continue to follow its ongoing practice in this case of updating its direct-filed revenue requirement as far out in time as data allows, whether that update period is officially ordered by the Commission or not.

2. From Staff's perspective, an ordered update period is not necessary in this case due to Staff's intention to update, however, if any party wishes to establish an ordered update period, then a date should be set and Spire should be ordered to update its cost of service schedules and provide those schedules to the parties. Regardless if an official update period date is set or not, Staff will provide a true-up of the issues to reflect changes from the end of the "update period" filed in its Direct Testimony to the true-up cutoff ordered in this case.

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WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully submits the above clarification of its response to Spire's proposed test year.

Respectfully submitted,

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# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail, or First Class United States Postal Mail, postage prepaid, on this 11th day of May, 2022, to all parties and/or counsels of records.

### <u>/s/ Curt Stokes</u>