BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Ronald Taylor,)		
	Complainant,) ,		
V.		,)	File No. GC-2022-0137
Spire Missouri Inc., d/b/a Spire,)		
	Respondent.)		

STAFF'S REQUEST FOR RELIEF FROM FILING

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), by and through the undersigned counsel, and submits to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) the following *Request for Relief from Filing:*

- 1. On March 2, 2022, the Commission issued its *Order Regarding Service of Documents and Directing Filing of a Proposed Procedural Conference Date or Procedural Schedule*, in which it ordered Staff to coordinate with the parties and file a proposed date for a procedural conference in the month of April, or in the alternative, file a joint-proposed procedural schedule in lieu of a procedural conference, no later than March 15, 2022.
- 2. On March 7, 2022, Staff submitted a proposed procedural schedule to counsel for Respondent, and through communications Staff was alerted to Respondent's desire to pursue Alternative Dispute Resolution. On March 10, 2022, Respondent filed with the Commission its *Request for Mediation*.
- 3. Should the Commission approve Respondent's *Request for Mediation*, 20 CSR 4240-2.2125(2)(C) states "All other actions on the case shall cease and all time limitations shall be tolled pending the completion of mediation process, except as otherwise provided by law." Because a procedural conference date or procedural

schedule would be negated with the Commission's approval of Respondent's *Request for Mediation*, Staff requests relief from the order to coordinate a date for a procedural conference or file a joint-proposed procedural schedule. Conversely, should the Commission reject Respondent's *Request for Mediation*, Staff requests a 30-day extension to coordinate with the parties on a proposed procedural conference date or a procedural schedule.

WHEREFORE, Staff moves the Commission to relieve it from its obligation to file by March 15, 2022, a proposed date for a procedural conference or a joint-proposed procedural schedule in this matter, or in the alternative, Staff requests a 30-day extension; and to grant such further and other relief as is just in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERIVCE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or by electronic mail to all counsel of record on this 15th of March, 2022.

/s/ Don Cosper