STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 1st day of September, 2021.

In the Matter of an Investigation into Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire's Compliance with The Commission's Rules Regarding Natural Gas Safety Found at 20 CSR 4240-40.030

File No. GS-2022-0047

ORDER OPENING AN INVESTIGATION

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Issue Date: September 1, 2021 Effective Date: September 1, 2021

On August 24, 2021, the Commission's Staff filed a motion asking the Commission to open an investigation into Spire Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Spire's (Spire) compliance with the Commission's gas safety rules. Staff is concerned that Spire allowed the mechanical joining qualifications of its employees to lapse prior to October 2020.¹ Staff asks that the Commission open an investigation to consider an appropriate remedy for this violation.

The Commission will open this case to facilitate that investigation. In addition, an open case will afford Staff an opportunity to report to the Commission as appropriate.

This is only a fact-finding investigation and is not a contested case. The Commission will not take any action regarding Spire's practices within the confines of this investigation. If the investigation reveals that any such action is appropriate, Staff may file a formal complaint or other appropriate pleading within a new file to institute contested case procedures.

¹ All employees were requalified by December 16, 2020.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Staff shall undertake an investigation of Spire's compliance with the Commission's rules regarding gas safety.

2. Staff shall file a progress report regarding its investigation no later than February 28, 2022.

3. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Rupp, Coleman, Holsman, and Kolkmeyer CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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 1st day of September, 2021.



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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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