BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Ronald E. Taylor,)
Complainant,))
V.)
Spire Missouri Inc., d/b/a Spire))
Respondent.)

File No. GC-2022-0137

SPIRE MISSOURI INC.'S REQUEST FOR MEDIATION

COMES NOW Respondent, Spire Missouri, Inc. ("Spire" or "the Company"), pursuant to 4 C.S.R. 4240-2.125 (2) and files its Request for Mediation and states the following in support thereof:

- 1. Complainant filed this Complaint on November 17, 2021.
- On November 23, 2021, the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued a Notice of Complaint and Order Directing Responses.
- 3. On December 22, 2021, Spire filed its Answer.
- 4. On January 18, 2022, Staff of the Commission ("Staff") filed its Report and concluded that Respondent has not violated any applicable statutes, Commission rule or regulation, or Commission-approved Spire Tariffs related to this complaint.
- On February 15, 2022, the Commission held a procedural conference wherein Mr. Taylor failed to appear.
- On February 25, 2022, Mr. Taylor explained his absence and requested copies of all documents in the Commission's file to be mailed to him via U.S. Postal Service.
- Spire Missouri has communicated with Mr. Taylor via certified mail through the U.S. Postal Service, including discovery, with no response.

- 8. Spire is requesting mediation in this matter at this time because Spire believes this case could benefit greatly from discussions with a presiding officer or a neutral third party appointed by the Commission about Mr. Taylor's Complaint, potential relief, possible resolution to this matter as well as the Commission's discovery process with both parties present.
- 9. This filing does not prejudice any party nor does it unduly delay the process.

WHEREFORE Spire Missouri Inc. hereby requests the Commission appoint a presiding officer or other neutral third party to mediate this dispute pursuant to Commission Rule 20 C.S.R. 4240-2.125 (2).

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Rachel L. Níemeíer

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ATTORNEYS FOR SPIRE MISSOURI INC

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been sent by electronic mail and U.S. mail on this 10^{h} day of March 2022 to:

Mr. Ronald Taylor 4426 Red Bud Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63115 rone_taylor@yahoo.com

/s/ Trísha Lavin