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**Derek Grier**  
State Representative  
District 100



November 10, 2021

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20426

Dear Members of the Commission:

I write to implore your Commission to extend the deadline allowing the Spire St. Louis pipeline to operate until at least the end of winter. Many Missourians in the greater St. Louis area rely on the natural gas supplied by the pipeline for their energy needs. If the current deadline of December 13<sup>th</sup> is allowed to stand, many Missouri customers may potentially see serious service disruptions during extreme cold weather periods.

Shutting down the St. Louis Pipeline in the middle of a Missouri winter could mean widespread gas service outages that could result in the loss of life and property throughout the region. Spire estimates that as many as 400,000 Spire Missouri customers could be without gas during the upcoming winter heating season if you do not take action. If this many customers were to lose service, Spire claims it could take up to as much as 100 days to reestablish service for all customers in the region.

This catastrophic scenario cannot be allowed to happen. Such an unprecedented crisis would throw both the St. Louis region and the entire state of Missouri into turmoil. As public service officials it is your duty to make sure this easily avoidable disaster does not occur and extend the operation of the pipeline past the coldest months of the year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Derek Grier".

Rep. Derek Grier  
Missouri's 100<sup>th</sup> District

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