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Spire Missouri Inc.
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SPIRE MISSOURI INC.

CASE NO. GR-2021-0108

TRUE-UP DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF

ADAM WOODARD

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1 **TRUE-UP DIRECT TESTIMONY OF ADAM WOODARD**

2 Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.

A. Adam Woodard. My business address is 700 Market St., St. Louis, Missouri, 63101.

3 Q. ARE YOU THE SAME ADAM WOODARD WHO PREVIOUSLY FILED
4 REBUTTAL AND SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY IN THIS PROCEEDING?

5 A. Yes, I submitted Rebuttal and Surrebuttal Testimony on behalf of Spire Missouri Inc.
6 (“Spire” or “Company”) in Case No. GR-2021-0108.

7 **I. PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY**

8 Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?

9 A. The purpose of my testimony is to sponsor the true-up of the capital structure that the
10 Company recommends be used in this proceeding. It is important to note that my updates
11 do not reflect any change in methodologies but, rather, only reflect updated numbers due
12 to the availability of information as of May 31, 2021.

13 **II. CAPITAL STRUCTURE**

14 Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN TRUE-UP SCHEDULE F.

15 A. Schedule F attached to Spire witness Michelle Antrainer’s True-Up Direct Testimony
16 details the elements of Spire’s capital structure and calculates certain embedded costs for
17 the various kinds of capital used to finance the company’s provision of utility service.
18 The capital structure components consist of common equity and long-term debt as of
19 May 31, 2021. Schedule F contains the adjusted two-component capital structure and the
20 resultant weighted average cost of capital. Short-term debt was not included in the
21 capital structure because the average level of construction work in progress, propane,
22 margin calls on our multi-year hedging program, and deferred gas costs subject to PGA

1 carrying costs (none of which are proposed to be included in rate base) exceeds the
2 average level of short-term debt outstanding during the true-up period after taking into
3 consideration the May 20, 2021 funding of \$305 million of long-term debt instruments.
4 These private placements mature in thirty years and were issued at an attractive effective
5 combined “all-in” cost of 3.30%.

6 **Q. WHAT IS THE CAPITAL STRUCTURE OF THE COMPANY AS OF MAY 31,**
7 **2021?**

8 A. As of May 31, 2021, the Company’s capital structure is:

Spire Missouri Inc.
Capital Structure at May 31, 2021

	Amount	Percentage Of Capitalization
Long-Term Debt	\$ 1,338,736,661	45.72%
Shareholder's Equity	<u>1,589,496,633</u>	54.28%
Total	<u>\$ 2,928,233,294</u>	100.00%

III. CONCLUSION

11 **Q. DOES THIS COMPLETE YOUR TRUE-UP DIRECT TESTIMONY?**

12 A. Yes.

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Spire Missouri Inc.'s d/b/a)	
Spire Request for Authority to Implement a General)	<u>Case No. GR-2021-0108</u>
Rate Increase for Natural Gas Service Provided in)	
the Company's Missouri Service Areas)	

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STATE OF MISSOURI)	
)	SS.
CITY OF ST. LOUIS)	

Adam Woodard, of lawful age, being first duly sworn, deposes and states:

1. My name is Adam Woodard. I am Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Spire Missouri Inc. and Vice President and Treasurer of Spire Inc. My business address is 700 Market St., St. Louis, Missouri, 63101.
2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes is my testimony on behalf of Spire Missouri Inc.
3. Under penalty of perjury, I declare that my answers to the questions contained in the foregoing testimony are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

/s/ Adam Woodard
Adam Woodard

August 6, 2021
Date