BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Spire Missouri, Inc. d/b/a for Permission and Approval and a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Maintain, and Otherwise Control and Manage a Natural Gas Distribution System to Provide Gas Service in Cass County, Missouri as an Expansion of its Existing Certificated Areas

File No. GA-2023-0389 Tracking No. JG-2024-0025

STAFF RECOMMENDATION REGARDING TARIFF SHEET

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), and through counsel, and states the following regarding the tariff sheet Spire Missouri, Inc., d/b/a Spire ("Spire") filed, bearing an effective date of September 23, 2023.

1. On August 23, 2023, the Commission issued its Order Approving Application and Granting a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("Order"), which granted Spire a certificate of convenience and necessity ("CCN") to construct, install, own, operate, maintain, and otherwise control and manage a natural gas distribution system in Cass County, Missouri.

2. On August 24, 2023, Spire filed an updated tariff sheet with an effective date of September 23, 2023. On August 25, 2023, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Expedited Staff Review* in which the Commission ordered Staff to file a recommendation no later than September 12, 2023, regarding Spire's updated tariff sheet.

3. Staff reviewed Spire's tariff sheet and determined that the following comply with the Commission's *Order* and recommends approval:

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P.S.C. MO NO. 9 1st Revised Sheet No. 21.2 Cancelling Original Sheet No. 21.2

4. Staff attaches affidavits with this pleading verifying its review.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends that the Commission approve Spire's updated

tariff sheet as listed in paragraph 3, above, to go into effect September 23, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>/s/ Ron Irving</u>

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile, or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 7th day of September 2023.

/s/ Ron Irving

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AFFIDAVIT OF FRANCISCO DEL POZO

STATE OF MISSOURI)) ss. COUNTY OF COLE)

COMES NOW FRANCISCO DEL POZO and on his oath declares that he is of sound mind and lawful age; that he contributed to the foregoing *Staff Recommendation Regarding Tariff Sheet;* and that the same is true and correct according to his best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.



JURAT

Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this 2% day of September, 2023.

| DIANNA L. VAUGHT |
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| Notary Public - Notary Seal |
| State of Missouri |
| Commissioned for Cole County |
| My Commission Expires: July 18, 2027 Commission Number: 15207377 |
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