DEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of an Investigation into)	
Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire's)	
Compliance with The Commission's)	File No. GS-2022-0047
Rules Regarding Natural Gas Safety)	
Found at 20 CSR 4240-40.030)	

PROGRESS REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and in response to the Commission's July 20, 2023 *Order Directing Additional Report* states:

- 1. On July 11, 2023, Staff filed a progress report regarding its investigation and requesting additional time to complete its investigation. Staff's progress report requested a due date of no later than October 27, 2023 to file its investigation report.
- 2. On July 20, 2023, the Commission granted Staff's motion and ordered Staff to file either a report regarding its investigation, or a report on the investigation's progress, not later than October 27, 2023.
- 3. Since Staff's progress report filed July 11, 2023, Staff performed two field inspections in the Spire Missouri East operating area and three field inspections in the Spire Missouri West operating area, which included reviews of plastic pipe joiner qualification records as part of construction inspections. Staff's review of plastic pipe joiner qualification records during these construction inspections covered the specific individuals observed completing joints on Spire Missouri's facilities.
- 4. Staff requires additional time to finalize its investigation report. Staff has drafted its investigation report and has submitted it for internal review. Staff has also

provided to Spire Missouri for review a detailed description of the facts that are to be included in Staff's report. Staff is awaiting Spire Missouri's identification of confidential information as well as any feedback on the report's fact section. Once received, Staff will review Spire Missouri's responses, incorporate them into the report, and submit for final internal review. Staff requests a due date of no later than November 15, 2023 to file its investigation report.

WHEREFORE, for the above-stated reasons, Staff requests that the Commission order Staff to file a report regarding its investigation no later than November 15, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been transmitted by electronic mail to counsel of record this 26th day of October, 2023.

/s/ J. Scott Stacey