# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Spire Missouri, Inc., d/b/a Spire Purchased Gas Adjustment

File No. GR-2023-0217
Tracking No. JG-2024-0055

### **ORDER APPROVING PGA TARIFF**

Issue Date: November 15, 2023 Effective Date: November 16, 2023 On November 1, 2023, Spire Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Spire filed revised tariff sheets to reflect changes in its Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) for its eastern Missouri and western Missouri operating divisions. The tariff sheets bear an effective date of November 16, 2023.

Spire estimates its proposed tariff sheets will have no change on Spire East's charges for gas which will remain at \$0.77588 per ccf. Spire estimates its proposed tariff sheets will decrease its charges for gas in the Spire West's service area from \$1.07545 to \$1.01988 per ccf. The slight decrease in the Spire West service area is due to lower gas prices. Spire East's charges will remain the same due to the balance of unrecovered gas costs. Compared to existing rates, and assuming normal usage, Spire estimates the PGA rate for Spire West will decrease the average monthly bill of the typical residential customer by \$3.48 (3.06%). Such bill impacts may be less or more depending on a customer's actual usage, which is primarily affected by weather.

Staff filed a recommendation on November 8, 2023. In its recommendation, Staff explained that this file was established to track Spire's PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2022-2023 ACA filing. Staff recommends the proposed rate changes be approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in File Nos.

GR-2023-0217, GR-2023-0157, and GR-2022-0136. Staff also recommends the tariff sheets become effective as requested on November 16, 2023. No other party filed a response.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed tariff sheets and Staff's recommendation. Based on the verified filings, the Commission finds that the proposed tariff sheets conform to Spire's Commission-approved PGA clause. Given that Spire's PGA clause allows for PGA change filings to take effect after ten business days' notice, good cause has been shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 2016, to permit the tariff sheets to become effective on less than 30 days' notice.

The Commission concludes the proposed tariff sheets should be approved to become effective on November 16, 2023, on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decision in this file and File Nos. GR-2023-0157 and GR-2022-0136. Additionally, Staff shall submit its results and recommendations regarding the information included in the ACA portion of this case no later than December 16, 2024.

The Commission finds it reasonable for this order to be effective in less than 30 days so that the order will be effective on the same date as the tariff sheets.

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The tariff sheets, assigned Tracking No. JG-2024-0055, are approved to be effective on November 16, 2023, on an interim basis and subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in this file and in File Nos. GR-2023-0157and GR-2022-0136. The tariff sheets approved are:

#### P.S.C. MO No. 9

Third Revised Sheet No. 11.7, Cancelling Second Revised Sheet No. 11.7 Third Revised Sheet No. 11.8, Cancelling Second Revised Sheet No. 11.8 2. This order shall become effective on November 16, 2023.



### **BY THE COMMISSION**

Nancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell Secretary

Nancy Dippell, Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2023.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023.



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Nancy Dippell Secretary

## MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION November 15, 2023

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,

Mancy Dippell

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