BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of an Investigation into Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire Concerning a Natural Gas Incident in Holt, Missouri

File No. GS-2024-0137

STATUS REPORT

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COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, in response to the Commission's March 27, 2024 *Order Extending Time for Report*, and for its Status Report states:

1. On October 16, 2023, Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a *Motion to Establish a Case* requesting the Commission open a file for investigation of a natural gas pipeline incident in Holt, Missouri. The Motion described an incident that occurred on October 5, 2023, in the vicinity of the Muddy Fork, in an area served by Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire ("Spire"). An employee of a contractor working on behalf of Spire was injured while working on Spire's 12-inch high-pressure steel distribution main.

2. On October 25, 2023, the Commission granted Staff's Motion and ordered Staff to file a report regarding the incident or a report on the status of its investigation no later than March 29, 2024.

3. On March 26, 2024, Staff filed a status report regarding its investigation and requested additional time to complete its investigation. Staff's status report requested a due date of no later than May 17, 2024, to file its report or a report on the progress of Staff's investigation.

4. On March 27, 2024, the Commission ordered Staff to file either a report regarding its investigation, or a report on the investigation's progress, no later than May 17, 2024.

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5. Staff continues conducting discovery in this matter and has an outstanding data request to Spire.

6. Staff will require additional time to review and analyze the information before finalizing its investigation report. Staff will use this time to review Spire's responses to Staff data requests, send follow-up data requests if further clarification is needed, complete a draft report, submit its report to internal review, and request, receive and review Spire's identification of confidential information and feedback on the report's facts section.

7. Staff requests a due date of no later than August 9, 2024, to file a report regarding its investigation, or a report on the progress of Staff's investigation.

WHEREFORE, for the above-stated reasons, Staff respectfully requests the Commission order Staff to file a report regarding its investigation, or a report on the status of Staff's investigation, no later than August 9, 2024, and to grant such other and further relief as the Commission considers just and reasonable under the circumstances.

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 16th day of May, 2024.

/s/ J. Scott Stacey