BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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

File No. GA-2024-0257 Tracking No. JG-2025-0009

STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE PROPOSED REVISED TARIFF SHEET

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through the undersigned counsel, and files its *Staff Recommendation to Approve Proposed Revised Tariff Sheet* in response to the Commission's July 19, 2024, *Order Granting Certificate of Convenience and Necessity* (*Order*), and states as follows:

1. On March 22, 2024, Spire Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Spire ("Spire"), filed an *Application* with the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") requesting a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CCN") to install, own, construct, operate, control, manage, and maintain a natural gas distribution system to provide natural gas in Newton County, Missouri, as an addition to Spire's existing service territories.

2. On June 6, 2024, Staff filed its Staff Recommendation that the CCN should be granted subject to conditions set forth in its Staff Memorandum.

3. On June 17, 2024, Spire filed its Response to Staff's Recommendation, wherein, it agreed to the recommendation as well as the conditions.

4. On July 18, 2024, the Commission granted Spire's Application for a CCN subject to the conditions, and ordered a revised tariff sheet be filed by Spire to include

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Section 16 and Section 17, Township 26 North, Range 33 West of Newton County as part of its certificated area.

5. On July 19, 2024, Spire filed a revised tariff sheet that includes the subject area of the CCN request, which would satisfy Staff's recommended condition. The revised tariff sheet had an effective date of August 18, 2024, and was assigned Tracking No. JG-2025-0009.

6. On July 19, 2024, the Commission ordered Staff to file a recommendation regarding said tariff sheet no later than July 29, 2024.

7. Staff has reviewed the tariff sheet filed on July 19, 2024, with an issue date of July 19, 2024 and an effective date of August 18, 2024, and assigned Tracking No. JG-2025-0009, and recommends the Commission approve or allow to go into effect for service as follows:

P.S.C. MO. No. 9

First Revised Sheet No. 21.14, Cancelling Original Sheet No. 21.14

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends the Commission approve Spire's updated tariff sheet as listed in paragraph 7 above, Tariff Tracking No. JG-2025-0009, with an effective date of August 18, 2024, or allow the same tariff sheet to go into effect by operation of law.

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Respectfully submitted,

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ATTORNEY FOR STAFF OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail, or First Class United States Postal Mail, postage prepaid, on this 26th day of July, 2024, to all counsel of record.

/s/ J. Scott Stacey

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AFFIDAVIT OF FRANCISCO DEL POZO

STATE OF MISSOURI)
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COUNTY OF COLE)

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

Further the Affiant sayeth not.



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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 25^{44} day of July 2024.

Dianie L. Vount-Notary Public

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