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 ("Staff"), by and through counsel, as a follow-up to Staff's August 7, 2024 *Status Report*, respectfully states:

1. On October 16, 2023, Staff filed a *Motion to Establish a Case* ("Motion") 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 requesting 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. On May 16, 2024 Staff filed a status report regarding its investigation and requesting additional time to complete its investigation. Staff's status report requested a due date of no later than August 9, 2024 to file its report, or a report on the progress of Staff's investigation.

6. On May 17, 2024 the Commission ordered Staff to file either a report regarding its investigation, or a report on the investigation's progress, no later than August 9, 2024.

7. On August 7, 2024 Staff filed a status report regarding its investigation and requesting additional time to complete its investigation. Staff's status report requested a due date of no later than September 20, 2024 to file its report, or a report on the progress of Staff's investigation.

8. Staff has recently received responses to Staff Data Requests from Spire on September 19, and 20, 2024. 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, 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.

9. Staff requests a due date of no later than November 1, 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 November 1, 2024.

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Respectfully submitted,

<u>/s/ Travis Pringle</u>

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been transmitted by electronic mail to all parties and/or counsel of record this 20th day of September, 2024.

/s/ Travis Pringle