BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Spire Missouri Inc.'s) Application for Approval of Financing Authority) File No. GF-2025-0053

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through the undersigned counsel, and for its *Staff Recommendation*, respectfully states as follows:

1. On August 12, 2024, Spire Missouri Inc. ("Spire Missouri" or "Company") filed its *Application of Spire Missouri Inc. for Approval of Financing Authority and Request for Waiver of 60-Day Notice Rule* ("*Application*") with the Commission. In the *Application*, Spire Missouri requested new financing authority of \$850 million for a three-year period and a waiver of the 60-day notice requirement in Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1).

2. On August 14, 2024, the Commission ordered Staff to file a recommendation regarding the Company's *Application* or a request for an extension of time no later than September 27, 2024.

3. As detailed in Staff's Memorandum, attached as Appendix A, Staff reviewed Spire Missouri's *Application* and recommends approval of the *Application* subject to the conditions stated in the Memorandum.

4. Additionally, Staff recommends waiver of the 60-day notice in Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1).

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WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated in Staff's Memorandum attached hereto, Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order approving Spire Missouri Inc.'s *Application for Financing Authority, Request for Waiver of 60-Day Notice Requirement, and Motion for Expedited Treatment* subject to the conditions stated in Staff's Memorandum and grant such other and further relief as is just in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile, or electronically mailed to all counsel of record on this 27th day of September, 2024.

/s/ Ron Irving