

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office in
Jefferson City on the 30th day of
October, 2019.

In the Matter of Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a)
Spire Missouri West Concerning a Natural)
Gas Incident at 1106 Paseo Boulevard in)
Kansas City, Missouri)

File No. GS-2019-0015

ORDER DIRECTING STAFF TO FILE A COMPLAINT

Issue Date: October 30, 2019

Effective Date: October 30, 2019

On July 25, 2018, the Commission opened this file for investigation of a natural gas safety incident in Kansas City, Missouri. This file was opened for the purpose of receiving a report based upon Staff's investigation, and not as a contested case. Staff filed a gas incident report on July 31, 2019, that identified violations of the Commission's pipeline safety standards and drug and alcohol testing as promulgated in Commission Rules 20 CSR 4240-40.030 and 20 CSR 4240-40.080. Staff also stated that it intended to file a complaint following its report.

The Commission ordered Spire Missouri to file a response to Staff's report. Spire Missouri filed a motion requesting additional time to file a response to Staff's report. The motion stated that Spire Missouri and Staff were in discussions to resolve the concerns raised in Staff's report and were working on a stipulation and agreement to resolve the issues raised in the report. Spire Missouri filed that stipulation and agreement on September 30, 2019.

The Commission recognizes that Spire Missouri is affirmatively addressing the issues raised in Staff's report. However, this file was opened merely to receive a report

and it is not the appropriate file for the Commission to consider the merits of the Stipulation and Agreement. The Stipulation and Agreement creates a contractual relationship between the signatory parties, but for the Commission to consider it as a resolution of alleged violations, a separate complaint file is necessary.

Section 386.390, RSMo authorizes the Commission to make a complaint on its own motion alleging violation of any provision of law subject to the Commission's authority. To that end, the Commission will direct its Staff to prepare an appropriate complaint against Spire Missouri and to file that complaint before the Commission in a new case so that the Commission may properly consider the Stipulation and Agreement.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Staff is directed to file the complaint against Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire Missouri West described in the body of the order no later than November 6, 2019.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Kenney, Hall, Rupp, and
Coleman, CC., concur.

Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge.

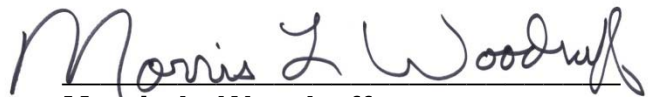
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OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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 30th day of October 2019.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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