BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Spire)	
Missouri Inc. for a Certificate of Convenience)	
and Necessity to Construct, Install, Own, Operate)	
Maintain, and Otherwise Control and Manage a)	Case No. GA-2025-xxxx
Natural Gas Distribution System in Cedar County,)	
Missouri As an Expansion of its Existing)	
Certified Areas.)	

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR CEDAR COUNTY AND REQUEST FOR WAIVER

COMES NOW Spire Missouri Inc. ("Spire" or the "Company"), by and through its undersigned counsel, and, pursuant to Section §393.170 RSMo, and Commission Rules 20 CSR 4240-2.060 and 20 CSR 4240-3.205, respectfully submits this Application to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") for a certificate of convenience and necessity ("CCN") to construct, install, own, operate, maintain, and otherwise control and manage a natural gas distribution system to provide gas service in Cedar County, Missouri, as a further expansion of its existing certificated area. Pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1)(D), the Company also requests a waiver from the notice provisions of Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1). In support of its Application and request for a waiver, Spire states as follows:

- 1. Spire is a public utility and gas corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Missouri, with its principal office located at 700 Market Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63101.
- 2 A Certificate of Good Standing evidencing Spire's standing to do business in Missouri was submitted in Case No. GF-2025-0053 and is incorporated by reference herein for all purposes. The information in such Certificate is current and correct.

- 3. Spire is engaged in the business of distributing and transporting natural gas to customers in Missouri as a gas corporation subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission. Spire provides gas service in Missouri to customers in the City of St. Louis and the Counties of St. Louis, St. Charles, Crawford, Jefferson, Franklin, Iron, St. Genevieve, St. Francois, Madison, Butler, Andrew, Barry, Barton, Bates, Buchanan, Carroll, Cass, Cedar, Christian, Clay, Clinton, Cooper, Dade, Dekalb, Greene, Henry, Howard, Jackson, Jasper, Johnson, Lafayette, Lawrence, McDonald, Moniteau, Newton, Pettis, Platte, Ray, Saline, Stone, and Vernon.
- 4. Other than cases that have been docketed at the Commission, Spire has no pending action or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court within the past three years that involve customer service or rates. Spire has no annual report or assessment fees that are overdue.
- 5. All correspondence, communications, notices, orders, and decisions of the Commission with respect to this matter should be sent to the undersigned counsel and to:

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CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

6. Spire submits this Application for a CCN to construct, install, own, operate, maintain, and otherwise control and manage a natural gas system to provide natural gas service in Cedar County, Missouri, as a further expansion of its existing certificated area. Spire is seeking a CCN for Section 26, Township 36 North, Range 38 West of Cedar County ("Section 26").

- 7. ** (the "Customer") identified Spire as the natural gas service provider with a franchise to serve the area in and around El Dorado Springs, Missouri and approached the Company to provide natural gas service for a new manufacturing facility in Section 26. The Company plans to install 1,620 feet of 4 inch plastic main and 760 feet of 2 inch plastic service.
- 8. The legal description of the area is listed above. Attached as **Appendix 1** is a plat map showing the proposed installations for this project. Natural gas service is not currently offered by another unregulated or regulated entity in the area for which a CCN is being requested. As mentioned above, the Company has Commission approved certificated areas surrounding the requested section, which are shown in the attached map in **Appendix 2**.
- 9. Based on assumed usage, the Customer will be served under the Company's currently effective Large General Service ("LGS") tariff Sheet No. 4. The current effective LGS rates will apply to the Customer as established in Spire's most recent rate case proceeding, GR-2022-0179, or until rates are changed by an approved tariff or a Commission Order.
- 10. There are six potential residential customers that are located between the end of our current main and the address of the Customer. The names and addresses of those customers are included in **Appendix 3**, which has been marked as Confidential pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.135(2)(A)1 because it contains information relating directly to specific customers.
- 11. Current revenues and actual construction costs associated with the initial main extension are shown in the feasibility study attached as **Appendix 4**, which has been marked as Confidential pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.135(2)(A)3 and 4 because it contains information regarding market-specific information. No external financing will be required for

construction relating to this project.

- 12. Spire holds all necessary franchises and permits from municipalities, counties, or other authorities that are required for Spire to serve the subject areas. Documentation that provides the franchise agreement for El Dorado Springs, Missouri is attached as **Appendix 5**.
- 13. Attached as **Appendix 6** is a signed affidavit of Patti Reardon, Manager of Small Commercial and Industrial Development, for Spire Missouri, asserting that all information regarding this proposed CCN is accurate and truthful.
- 14. This CCN application is in the public interest because service is needed by the Customer, Spire is qualified and has the financial ability to provide such service, and the proposal is economically feasible. Spire has extensive experience in the operation of natural gas systems and has a proven record of providing safe and reliable service in an efficient manner. For all the reasons set forth herein, Commission approval of this Application is in the public interest.

REQUEST FOR WAIVER FROM 60-DAY NOTICE RULE

15. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1) provides, in part, as follows:

Any person that intends to file a case shall file a notice with the secretary of the commission a minimum of sixty (60) days prior to filing such case. Such notice shall detail the type of case and issues likely to be before the commission and shall include a summary of all communication regarding substantive issues likely to be in the case between the filing party and the office of the commission that occurred in the ninety (90) days prior to filing the notice.

16. Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1)(D) permits a party to request a waiver of the above cited rule for good cause. The rule provision specifically provides that good cause may be established by submitting a verified declaration that the filing party has had no communication with the office of the commission within the prior one hundred fifty (150) days regarding any substantive issue likely to be in the case. The Company interprets this to mean that good cause is established if the filing

party has had no communication with a member of the office of the Commission outside of pleadings or other public communications. Subject to that understanding, the Company has attached to this Application, the verified declaration of Trisha Lavin that neither the Company nor any person or entity acting on behalf of the Company, has had a communication with a member of the office of the Commission in the last 150 days regarding any substantive issues that are likely to arise in the case. For that reason, the Company requests that the Commission grant a waiver of the 60-day notice requirement for Spire Missouri's application for a CCN in Cedar County.

WHEREFORE, Spire respectfully requests, for good cause shown, that the Commission waive the notice requirement of 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1), approve this Application, issue a CCN to Spire as set forth above and in the attached appendices, and grant such other and further relief as is just and proper under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ J. Antonio Arias

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was serve on the Staff of the Commission and the Office of the Public Counsel via electronic mail (e-mail) on this 10th day of December, 2024.

/s/ Julie Johnson

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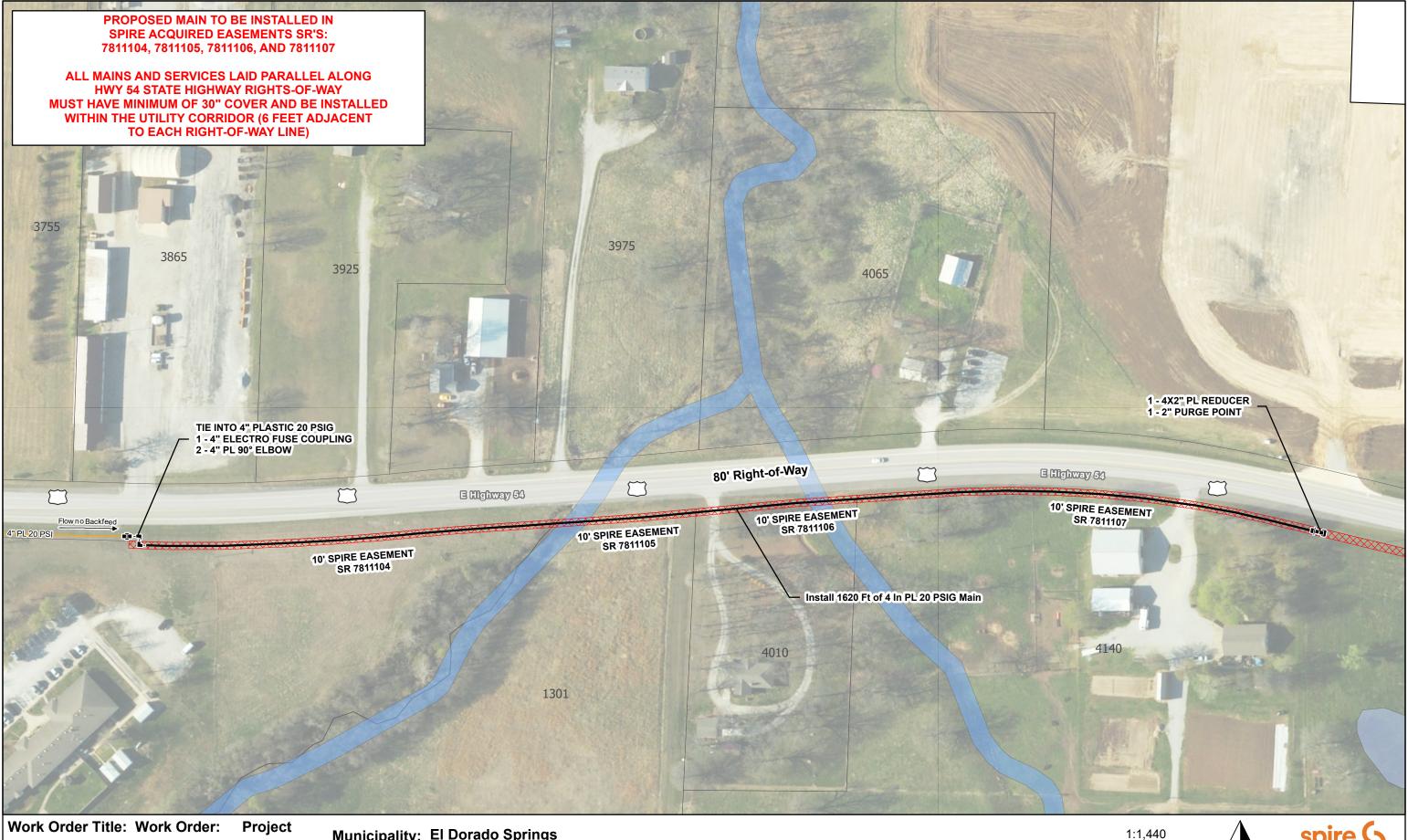
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County of St. Louis)	

I, Trisha Lavin, state that I am a Senior Regulatory Analyst for Spire Missouri Inc. I am authorized to make this verification on behalf of Spire Missouri Inc. and that under the penalty of perjury, I declare that the matters and things stated in the foregoing Application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also hereby swear and affirm that I have read the foregoing Request for Waiver, and hereby declare that, other than pleadings or other public communications, Spire Missouri Inc. has had no communication with the office of the Commission, within the prior one hundred and fifty (150) days regarding any substantive issue likely to be in the above referenced case.

Trisha Lavin

December 10, 2025

Dated



Municipality: El Dorado Springs

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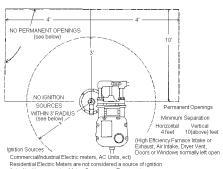
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1 inch = 100 feet

<u>DESIGNER</u> 20604

DATE: 11/12/2024







Names and Addresses

Confidential pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.135(2)(A)1

Confidential pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.135(2)(A)3 and 4

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EL DORADO SPRINGS, MISSOURI, GRANTING A FRANCHISE TO OPERATE A NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM WITHIN THE CITY TO SPIRE MISSOURI INC.

WHEREAS Section 71.530 RSMo. authorizes cities in Missouri to contract with a corporation for the purpose of supplying gas; and

WHEREAS Spire Missouri Inc. ("Spire") has requested that the City renew the franchise previously granted to Spire for an additional twenty (20) year term; and

WHEREAS the City Council desires to approve the renewal of its municipal franchise with Spire pursuant to the terms and conditions provided in this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL DORADO SPRINGS, MISSOURI, as follows, that:

SECTION 1 - The right, permission and authority for a period of twenty (20) years is hereby granted to Spire Missouri Inc., a corporation of the State of Missouri (hereinafter referred to as "Spire") to construct, reconstruct, excavate for, place, replace, extend and maintain all necessary or appropriate mains, service pipes, conduits, conductors, vaults, vaporizers, regulators, meters, sensors, routers, poles, antennae, and any and all other equipment, appurtenances and fixtures as may be reasonably necessary or desirable in the operation of a natural gas distribution system, in, along, across, over and under the streets, roads, alleys, sidewalks, squares, bridges within the corporate limits of the City of El Dorado Springs (hereinafter referred to as the "City") as now fixed and within any future extensions of its limits as hereafter extended, and areas dedicated to the City for public utility use, for the purpose of transmitting, furnishing, transporting and distributing natural gas for light, heat, power and other purposes within the City and in territory adjacent to the City, and for the purpose of transporting and transmitting natural gas through the City; all such equipment, appliances and apparatus to be installed and maintained with due regard to the rightful use by other persons with vehicles or otherwise, of the streets, roads, alleys, sidewalks, squares, bridges and other public places and areas dedicated to the City for public utility use; and exercise of the rights, permission and authority hereby granted shall at all times be subject to lawful regulation by the City in the exercise of its police powers. For the purposes of this Ordinance, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the term "right-of-way" or "rights-ofway" shall include streets, roads, alleys, sidewalks, squares, bridges and areas dedicated to the City for public utility use.

SECTION 2 – Extensions of, and additions to, the distribution system maintained by Spire in the City, shall be made in accordance with the rules and regulations governing such extensions and additions by Spire now on file with the Missouri Public Service Commission or in accordance with such amended rules and regulations governing such extensions and additions by Spire as may hereafter become effective in the manner provided by law. The financial responsibility for relocations of Spire's facilities within the City's rights-of-way shall be determined by State law as shall be specified by statute or common law at the time of the relocation, and nothing herein shall

be construed to confer upon Spire or the City any rights inconsistent therewith. The City will not vacate any public right-of-way containing any Spire facilities without first advising Spire of its intention to vacate the right-of-way and cooperating with Spire in reasonable attempts to obtain the necessary property rights to maintain and construct in the future its facilities in the right-of-way proposed to be vacated. The City shall also provide Spire with a reasonable opportunity to make arrangements to relocate its facilities before completing any such vacation.

SECTION 3 – Spire shall indemnify and hold the City harmless from all liability, judgments, decrees, costs, expenses and attorneys' fees incurred or imposed on account of injury or damage to persons or property to the extent caused by the negligent acts or omissions or mismanagement of Spire or its subcontractors in the construction, reconstruction, excavation, extension, restoration, or maintenance of the mains, service pipes, conduits, conductors or other equipment in, along, across, over or under any of the streets, roads, alleys, sidewalks, squares, bridges or other public places in the City in the exercise of any of the rights and privileges conferred by this Ordinance.

SECTION 4 – The rights, privileges and authority granted herein shall inure to and be vested in Spire, its successors and assigns, successively, subject to all of the terms, provisions and conditions herein contained, and each of the obligations hereby imposed upon Spire shall devolve and be binding upon its successors and assigns, successively, in the same manner.

SECTION 5 – As consideration for the rights and privileges conferred by this Ordinance, Spire shall pay to the City the gross receipts taxes, if any, lawfully provided for by applicable ordinances, as the same may be amended from time to time. In addition, Spire shall pay any applicable right-of-way management costs imposed by the City, subject to the provisions of Section 67.1840 RSMo. or its successor.

SECTION 6 – Spire shall, within thirty (30) days after the passage and approval of this Ordinance, file a memorandum detailing Spire's acceptance thereof with the City Clerk. Upon receipt by the City Clerk of such memorandum, the franchise granted herein shall continue and remain in full force and effect as a renewal of the preceding franchise for a period of twenty (20) years.

SECTION 7 – Neither acceptance of, nor compliance with, the provisions of this Ordinance shall in anywise impair or affect, or constitute or be construed as a relinquishment or waiver of any right, permission or authority which Spire may have independently of this Ordinance; nor shall any use by Spire of public property or places in the City, as authorized by this Ordinance or service rendered by Spire, in the City, be treated as use solely of the rights, permission and authority provided for by this Ordinance or as service referable solely to this Ordinance or to any obligation of service consequent upon acceptance thereof or as in anywise indicating non-use of, non-compliance with, any obligation incident to, any right, permission or authority vested in Spire independently of this Ordinance; and the acceptance provided for in Section 6 of this Ordinance, and each and every compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance or with any obligation arising from acceptance thereof, shall be subject to, and conditioned by, the provisions of this Section 7, with the same force and effect as though each of the provisions of this Section were expressly incorporated in such acceptance and expressly declared by the acceptor, its successors or assigns, at and prior to the time of such compliance by it, as conditions of such compliance.

SECTION 8 – A covenant of good faith and fair dealing being implied into every Missouri contract, during the term of this franchise, the City shall not prohibit the connection of or service to new natural gas customers within its boundaries, nor take any action to require the discontinuance of natural gas service, other than as may be set forth in the rules and regulations of the Missouri Public Service Commission.

SECTION 9 – This Ordinance shall not relieve Spire of the obligation to comply with any lawful ordinance now existing in the City or enacted in the future requiring Spire to obtain written permits or other approval from the City prior to commencement of construction of facilities within the City rights-of-way, except Spire shall not be required to obtain permits or other approval from the City for the maintenance and repair of its facilities.

SECTION 10 – If any provision of this Ordinance, or the application of such provision to particular circumstances, shall be held invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance, or the application of such provision to circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid, shall not be affected thereby.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of El Dorado Springs, Missouri this 184 day of August, 2022.

Mayor, City of El Dorado Springs

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STATE OF MISSOURI)	
COUNTY OF JACKSON) SS.	
Patti Reardon, of lawful age,	being first duly swor	rn, deposes and states:
1. My name is Patricia "	'Patti" Reardon. I am	Manager, Small Commercial and
Industrial Business Development for	r Spire Missouri Inc.	My business address is 7500 E. 35 th
Terrace, Kansas City, Missouri, 641	29.	
2. The purpose of this a	affidavit is to comply	with Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-
2.060(1)(M).		
3. Under penalty of per	jury, I hereby declar	e that the information contained herein,
and in the attached documents is true	e and correct to the be	est of my knowledge and belief.
	Patrice	ia Reardon
	Patricia "Pa	tti" Reardon
	December 4	, 2024
	Dated	