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#### **SPIRE MISSOURI INC.**

#### CASE NO. GR-2021-0108

#### SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY

#### OF

#### LEW KEATHLEY

### JULY 14, 2021

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### **SCHEDULE:**

Schedule LEK-SR-1: Revised Tariff Language

1		SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF LEW KEATHLEY			
2		I. INTRODUCTION			
3	Q.	PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.			
4	А.	My name is Lew Keathley, and my business address is 700 Market Street, St. Louis, Missouri			
5		63101.			
6	Q.	ARE YOU THE LEW KEATHLEY THAT PREVIOUSLY FILED REBUTTAL			
7		TESTIMONY IN THIS CASE?			
8	А.	Yes, I am.			
9		<b>II. PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY</b>			
10	Q.	WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?			
11	A.	The purpose of my testimony is to respond to several arguments and statements made in the			
12		Rebuttal Testimony made by the Missouri Public Service Commission Staff ("Staff") Witness			
13		Kennan Patterson, which was filed on June 17, 2021 and supplement my response to Missouri			
14		School Board Association ("MSBA") Witness Louie Ervin. Specifically, I will provide			
15		Surrebuttal Testimony on the proposed tariff language revisions relating to the School			
16		Transportation Program ("STP") and the transportation and STP cash-out balancing systems.			
17	7 <u>III. STP TARIFF REVISIONS</u>				
18	Q.	HAS SPIRE COMPLETED ITS REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT OF MSBA'S			
19		PROPOSAL TO REVISE THE SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM			
20		TARIFF?			
21	A.	Yes.			
22	Q.	WHAT ARE MSBA'S PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE STP TARIFF?			

A. MSBA proposes that the capacity release formula be changed to base the capacity release
determination on the maximum daily requirement during a rolling historic seven-year
period, with an additional 110% multiplier for safety margin. MSBA also proposes
allowing schools to select capacity on either, or a combination of, the MRT or Spire STL
pipelines for service to Spire's Eastern service area and Southern Star for the Spire West
Service area.

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#### Q. DO YOU AGREE WITH THESE REVISIONS?

A. I am comfortable based on historical data that the revision to the capacity release
determination will cover the schools' needs. While the Company does agree in principle
with the MSBA's proposal, I do have some modifications to MSBA's proposed tariff
language that will add more clarity regarding the process of MSBA's selection of capacity.
I also added language to ensure that final determination of capacity release will ultimately
be based on the operational availability of Spire. A copy of these modifications can be
found in Schedule LEK-SR1.

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#### IV. BALANCING AND CASH OUTS

# Q. WHAT IS STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION REGARDING SPIRE'S PROPOSED TRANSPORTATION BALANCING AND CASH OUT PROVISIONS?

# A. Staff recommends the Commission approve the cash-out balancing provisions for transportation customers in Spire's proposed Transportation Service tariff.

#### 20 Q. DO YOU AGREE WITH THIS RECOMMENDATION?

21 A. Yes.

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1	Q.	WHAT IS STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION REGARDING SPIRE'S PROPOSED
2		BALANCING AND CASH OUT PROVISIONS RELATED TO SCHOOL
3		AGGREGATION POOLS?
4	A.	Staff recommends that the Commission approve the balancing provisions of Spire's
5		proposed STP tariff.
6	Q.	DO YOU AGREE WITH STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION?
7	A.	Yes.
8		V. CONCLUSION
9	Q.	DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY?
10	A.	Yes, it does.

#### **BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Spire Missouri Inc.'s d/b/a Spire Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Natural Gas Service Provided in the Company's Missouri Service Areas

Case No. GR-2021-0108

#### AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI	)	
	)	SS.
CITY OF ST. LOUIS	)	

Lew Keathley, of lawful age, being first duly sworn, deposes and states:

- 1. My name is Lew Keathley. I am Senior Analyst of RegulatoryAffairs at Spire Missouri Inc. My business address is 700 Market St., St. Louis, Missouri, 63101.
- 2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes is my rebuttal testimony on behalf of Spire Missouri Inc.
- 3. Under penalty of perjury, I declare that my answers to the questions contained in the foregoing surrebuttal testimony are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

<u>/s/\_Lew Keathley\_\_\_\_</u> Lew Keathley

July 14, 2021\_\_\_\_\_ Date

#### **E. Transportation Capacity:**

Participating ESEs may request annually in writing, and the Company will release to the participating ESEs or their agent, primary firm transportation capacity on Enable Mississippi River Transmission Corporation, Spire STL, or Southern Star Central interstate pipelines at the Company's cost of such capacity in accordance with the capacity release procedures contained in the respective Federal Energy Regulatory Commission approved pipeline tariff. Such capacity shall be released to and taken by the party designated by the Association on a recallable basis, but will not be recalled by the Company unless requested by the Association and agreed to by the Company, or unless the Association fails to deliver gas supplies in accordance with the Adjusted Delivery Schedule, as further adjusted for any imbalance, as set forth in Section G. The amount of capacity released during the respective November through March winter month season and April through October summer month season shall equal 110% of the maximum daily use based on the most recent seven years of usage for each respective season, as adjusted for Association account additions and drops. If such maximum daily use history is not available, Company shall estimate such maximum daily use based on other available data, including sample daily school use, school calendars, school cancellations, weather algorithms, maximum daily nominations and factors described in Sheet No. R-25 of the Company's tariff for such ESE and the peak monthly degree days that occurred during the most recent seven years.

#### E. Transportation Capacity (REDLINE over MSBA edits):

Participating ESEs may request annually in writing, and t<u>T</u>he Company will release to the participating ESEs or their agent, primary firm transportation capacity on Enable Mississippi River Transmission Corporation and/or, Spire STL (for Spire East), or and Southern Star Central (for Spire West) interstate pipelines at the Company's cost of such capacity in accordance with the capacity release procedures contained in the respective Federal Energy Regulatory Commission approved pipeline tariff. Participating ESEs may also specify which of the aforementioned pipelines it would like to take capacity from by making request to the Company. Such requests must be made annually in writing, by September 1 of each year. Final determination on capacity release will be based on operational availability by the Company.

Such capacity shall be released to and taken by the party designated by the Association on a recallable basis, but will not be recalled by the Company unless requested by the Association and agreed to by the Company, or unless the Association fails to deliver gas supplies in accordance with the Adjusted Delivery Schedule, as further adjusted for any imbalance, as set forth in Section G. The amount of capacity released during the respective November through March winter month season and April through October summer month season shall equal 110% of the maximum daily use based on the most recent seven years of usage for each respective season, as adjusted for Association account additions and drops. If such maximum daily use history is not available, Company shall estimate such maximum daily use based on other available data, including sample daily school use, school calendars, school cancellations, weather algorithms, maximum daily nominations and factors described in Sheet No. R-25 of the Company's tariff for such ESE and the peak monthly degree days that occurred during the most recent seven years.