

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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| Catherine Cogorno, |) | |
| Complainant, |) | |
| v. |) | <u>File No. GC-2025-0277</u> |
| Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire, |) | |
| Respondent |) | |

NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION

Issue Date: May 9, 2025

On May 5 and 7 of 2025, the Regulatory Law Judge issuing this notice received two emails from Complainant, Catherine Cogorno. Those emails are attached to this notice and are ex parte communications outside of the case process, as defined by Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.015. This notice is given pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.020(3).



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy Dippell".

Nancy Dippell
Secretary

John T. Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 9th day of May, 2025.

From: [Catherine Cogorno](#)
To:



Subject: Re: Commission Order for Case No. GC-2025-0277 (Session)
Date: Monday, May 05, 2025 4:17:45 PM
Attachments: [Screenshot 2025-05-01 at 11.05.22 PM.png](#)

Sirs/madams:

Thank you for your response.

Please clarify statement below. If new provision effective in Aug. 2025 to only charge \$15/mo (max) as opt-out fee ... why would I have to wait til July, 2026 to claim this change with Spire? It should start, for me and all consumers in the same situation, on Aug. 28, 2025.

In advance, thanks for clarification.

On April 9, 2025, the Governor of Missouri, Mike Kehoe, signed Senate Bill (SB) 4 into law. SB 4 will become effective on August 28, 2025. One of the provisions of SB 4 provides that a utility may charge a one-time fee, not to exceed \$125, to remove an AMI meter and to provide a traditional meter. Under SB 4 a utility may charge a monthly fee, not to exceed \$15, for the use of a traditional meter. So, while Complainant may currently be paying \$30 per month to opt-out of having an AMI meter, beginning July 1, 2026, Cogorno has the ability to communicate to Spire her desire to have a traditional meter and Spire will not be permitted to charge Cogorno more than \$15 per month for use of a traditional meter.

Regards,

Catherine Cogorno

On Wednesday, April 30, 2025 at 12:46:26 PM CDT, EFIS <efis@psc.mo.gov> wrote:

Missouri Public Service Commission

Commission Order

Case No. [GC-2025-0277 - Item 5](#)

Type of Case Complaint

Style of Case Catherine Cogorno, Complainant v. Spire Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Spire, Respondent

Filed on Behalf of [Commission \(Other\)](#)

Type of Filing Order

Order Sub-Type Session

Title of Filing Order Dismissing Complaint

Date Filed 4/30/2025 12:46 PM

Effective Date 5/10/2025

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From: [Catherine Cogorno](#)
To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Existing Case Filing Notification - GC-2025-0277
Date: Wednesday, May 07, 2025 11:28:24 AM

Good morning.

Excuse me, but there was no response to my request for clarification.
First pdf under Item 6 shows \$ amounts redacted.... but NO ANSWER to my query.

Second pdf ('ticket') reads 'Confidential'... I thought that might be my answer.
However, when trying to open it I got

User has insufficient rights to view this document.

So complicated... Can someone respond to my query?
Also, when will SPIRE be notified of the fee reduction?
Thank you.
Catherine Cogorno
[REDACTED]

On Tuesday, May 6, 2025 at 09:53:37 AM CDT, EFIS <efis@psc.mo.gov> wrote:

Missouri Public Service Commission

Existing Case Filing

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| Case No. | GC-2025-0277 - Item 6 |
| Type of Case | Complaint |
| Style of Case | Catherine Cogorno, Complainant v. Spire Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Spire, Respondent |
| Filed on Behalf of | Catherine Cogorno (Other) (Consumer) |
| Type of Filing | Response to Order |
| Title of Filing | Response to Order (Public and Confidential) |
| Date Filed | 5/6/2025 9:53 AM |

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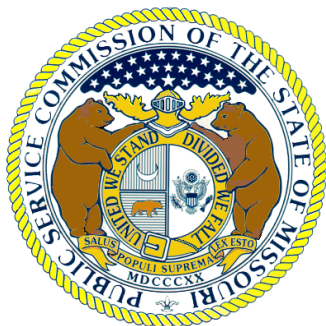
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STATE OF MISSOURI

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 9th day of May 2025.



Nancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

May 9, 2025

File/Case No. GC-2025-0277

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

Sincerely,



**Nancy Dippell
Secretary**

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