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

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission,	)
Complainant, v.	) ) <u>File No. GC-2024-0260</u>
Spire Missouri Inc., d/b/a Spire,	)
Respondent.	)

## STATUS REPORT

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through counsel, in response to the Commission's April 7, 2025, *Order Directing Status Report*, and for its Status Report states:

- 1. On March 25, 2024, Staff filed its *Complaint* against Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire ("Spire") and Spire filed its *Answer* to Staff's *Complaint* on November 15, 2024.
- 2. On November 26, 2024, the Commission issued an *Order Directing*Staff Response on how Staff would like to proceed and such to be filed no later than

  December 10, 2024.
- 3. On December 9, 2024, Staff filed its *Response* and *Staff Memorandum* to Spire's Answer to Staff's Complaint.
- 4. On March 11, 2025, the Commission issued an Order Directing Status Report; wherein, ordering Staff to file a status report as to the status of settlement negotiations no later than March 25, 2025.
- 5. On March 24, 2025, Staff filed a Status Report, indicating the parties were continuing settlement negotiations and needed additional time to finalize an agreement. Staff requested a due date of April 8, 2025, to submit a Stipulation and Agreement or a

report on the progress of the negotiations.

- 6. On March 26, 2025, the Commission issued an Order Directing Status Report; wherein, ordering Staff to file a status report as to the status of settlement negotiations no later than April 8, 2025.
- 7. On April 3, 2025, Staff filed a Status Report, indicating the parties were continuing settlement negotiations and needed additional time to finalize an agreement. Staff requested a due date of April 28, 2025, to submit a Stipulation and Agreement or a report on the progress of the negotiations.
- 8. On April 7, 2025, the Commission issued an Order Directing Status Report; wherein, ordering Staff to file a status report as to the status of settlement negotiations no later than April 28, 2025.
- 9. On April 25, 2025, Staff filed a Status Report, indicating the parties were continuing settlement negotiations and needed additional time to finalize an agreement. Staff requested a due date of May 30, 2025, to submit a Stipulation and Agreement or a report on the progress of the negotiations.
- 10. The parties have met several times to discuss a resolution of the matter and are close to an agreement on all issues and have developed a stipulation and agreement; however, the parties need additional time to discuss and finalize the stipulation and agreement as the parties are currently finalizing rebuttal testimony in GR-2025-0107..
- 11. The parties request a due date of no later than June 20, 2025, to file a Stipulation and Agreement or a report on the progress of the settlement negotiations.
- 12. Spire counsel was contacted in regards to the extension of time to finalize a stipulation and agreement, and does not object to this extension request.

WHEREFORE, for the above-stated reasons, Staff respectfully requests the Commission order Staff to file a report regarding its progress, or a Stipulation and Agreement, no later than June 20, 2025, and to grant such other and further relief as the Commission considers just and reasonable under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

## /s/ J. Scott Stacev

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been transmitted by electronic mail to counsel of record this 29th day of May, 2025.

/s/ J. Scott Stacey