BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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

Case No. GR-2025-0107

ORDER ESTABLISHING PROTECTIVE ORDER

Issue Date: June 11, 2025

Effective Date: June 11, 2025

On May 21, 2025,¹ Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire filed a *Motion for Protective Order*, requesting a protective order under Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.135(4) covering materials and information deemed "highly confidential" by Spire.

Spire seeks protection for Spire Inc. board of director materials, including, but not limited to, information related to corporate strategy, forecasts, valuations, and actual or potential acquisitions and divestitures. Spire asserts that the information that it seeks protection for would result in economic and competitive harm to Spire Inc., could violate selective disclosure regulations of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, and would impair the ability of Spire Inc. and its subsidiaries to manage its regulated and non-regulated businesses.

The Commission allowed responses by June 2 and none were received. The Commission will grant Spire's motion.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Spire's request for a protective order is granted. The specific protections to be afforded are as follows.

a. Certain materials and information divulged by Spire shall be considered

¹ All dates refer to the year 2025 unless otherwise indicated.

to be "highly confidential" if so designated at the time of disclosure. Any such designation shall be made in good faith.

- b. With regard to entities and individuals other than the Commission, the Staff of the Commission, and the Office of the Public Counsel:
 - i. Disclosure of materials or information so designated shall be made only to attorneys and/or to such outside consultants who have executed a Commission Nondisclosure Agreement. No Highly Confidential information shall be provided directly or indirectly to any non-attorney individual or employee.
 - ii. Persons afforded access to materials or information designated "Highly Confidential" shall neither use nor disclose such materials or information for purposes of business or competition or any other purpose other than in regard to the case referenced above and shall keep the materials and information secure and confidential and in accordance with the purposes and intent of the protective order.
 - iii. All material and information designated as "highly confidential" in the possession of any entity or person, as well as any notes pertaining to such information, shall be returned to Spire or destroyed upon the conclusion of the referenced case.
- c. If a party disagrees with the "highly confidential" designation of any information, the party shall follow the informal discovery dispute resolution procedures set forth in Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.090(8). If the party exhausts these dispute resolution procedures, the party may file a motion challenging the designation.
- 2. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Nancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell Secretary

Riley G. Fewell, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 11th day of June, 2025.

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 11th day of June 2025.



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Nancy Dippell Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

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