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The Honorable Richard Glick, Chairman
The Honorable Neil Chatterjee, Commissioner
The Honorable James Danly, Commissioner
The Honorable Allison Clements, Commissioner
The Honorable Mark C. Christie, Commissioner

Re: Spire STL Pipeline LLC Temporary Emergency Certificate Application
Docket No. CP17-40-000

Dear Chairman Glick and Commissioners,

I am writing in support of your approval of Spire STL Pipeline's temporary emergency certificate application so it can continue to operate on an interim basis to prevent gas shortages in the St. Louis region in the coming months I ask that the commissioners consider both the economic benefits the pipeline brings to Missouri businesses and workers and the hundreds of thousands of households who will be negatively impacted by potential gas shortages during the upcoming winter months if the pipeline is shut down.

As Business Representative of USW – Gas Workers, Local 11-6, I am proud to represent over 1000 of members who work under a collective bargaining agreement with Spire. Local 11-6 has been a proud labor partner with Spire for over 85 years.

Approval of the STL Pipeline was critical in producing high-quality and fair-paying jobs, which the St. Louis region desperately needed. Our labor brothers and sisters who built this pipeline counted on it to provide for their families. Today, Local 11-6 workers live in the STL Pipeline service area, which services over 650,000 homes and businesses across the region. This pipeline has provided all St. Louisans the reliable and affordable energy to efficiently heat their homes and cook their food every day.

The STL Pipeline has greatly increased the supply of natural gas to the St. Louis region. It has been estimated that nearly 400,000 natural gas customers may be without their service if



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there is any period of prolonged harsh winter conditions. While other states struggled with gas supply and astronomical costs during Winter Storm Uri earlier this year, the STL Pipeline proved that it is critical infrastructure by continuously providing natural gas to its customers, saving its ratepayers up to \$300 million in the process.

I strongly urge you to approve the temporary emergency certificate application for the STL Pipeline and ask that you consider the thousands of Missouri residents who will face the dire consequences this winter if it is forced to shut down.

Sincerely,
Mark Ell

Business Representative
Gas Workers Local 11-6