Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426

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 Certificate Application in Emergency Docket No. CP17-40-000

Dear Chairman Glick and Commissioners,

We are writing to you today out of concern for the well-being of our citizens if the STL Pipeline ceases operation. We strongly ask that you approve Spire's temporary emergency certificate application so it can continue operating on an interim basis ensuring our citizens don't lose critical access to the natural gas they need when temperatures start to drop. We understand the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) is considering their original approval of the STL Pipeline, but we strongly urge FERC to consider the thousands of Missourians that rely on this pipeline to satisfy their basic needs and approve the temporary emergency certificate application.

As the elected leaders of our towns, it is our duty to ensure our citizens have the highest quality of life attainable. A key component to that goal is ensuring that our communities have reliable and affordable access to clean energy sources. The STL Pipeline has ensured this goal is accomplished by establishing more supply options for the St. Louis region, which in turn has kept our natural gas prices affordable, even throughout the harshest winters.

Severe weather comes in all forms and leaves a different path of destruction every time. One of the main constants that occurs when severe weather hits is the reliance and trust we put into our utility companies to make sure service to our communities is minimally disrupted. The cost of disaster recovery can be exponentially raised without proper utility services due to the heightened emergency services we must deploy to ensure the safety of our citizens. We are all thankful that we didn't have to live through the same experiences our counterpart mayors in southern states had during Winter Storm Uri with virtually no access to natural gas to heat homes or cook foods. The only reason our cities didn't see this fate was because of the STL Pipeline which solidified natural gas supplies for the St. Louis region. The constantly supply made sure that our residents were able to heat their homes and continue feeding their families during the coldest parts of the year without seeing an exorbitant rise

in costs. It is estimated that the pipeline alone saved ratepayers over \$300 million during the storm, and that an estimated 400,000 residents will lose power in a similar storm if Spire is forced to cease operations of the STL Pipeline.

We support the STL Pipeline's temporary emergency certificate application to ensure the STL Pipeline can keep serving its critical natural gas to our residents. We rely on the pipeline to

deliver natural gas to our communities in a reliable and affordable way. We look forward to FERC's consideration and the response on the application for this critical energy infrastructure.

Sincerely,

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