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

In the Matter of Spire Missouri Inc.'s d/b/a	)	
Spire Request for Authority to Implement a	)	File No. GR-2021-0108
General Rate Increase for Natural Gas	)	Tracking No. YG-2021-0133
Service Provided in the Company's	)	
Missouri Service Areas	)	

## ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: March 26, 2021 Effective Date: March 26, 2021

On December 11, 2020, Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire filed tariff sheets designed to implement a general rate increase for natural gas service, and to consolidate, to the extent possible, the rate structures of its two service areas known as Spire East and Spire West. The parties have already indicated that local public hearings should take place from June 21-25, 2021, and due to the COVID pandemic, the Commission has directed all hearings to occur via WebEx. The Commission will direct the parties to jointly submit more detailed local public hearing recommendations, if agreement is possible. All parties will be permitted to reply, but the Commission will designate the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) to be responsible for the joint filing.

The Commission will take the same approach to the language to be included in the local public hearing notices – the parties are directed to jointly submit local public hearing notice language, if agreement is possible. All parties will be permitted to reply, but the Commission will designate Staff to be responsible for the joint filing.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. No later than April 22, 2021, Staff shall file a detailed proposed schedule for local public hearings as described in the body of this order. Any other party wishing to

respond with a proposed local public hearing schedule separately may do so no later than April 22, 2021.

- 2. No later than April 22, 2021, Staff shall file proposed language for the local public hearing notices as described in the body of this order. All other parties wishing to respond with proposed language for the local public hearing notices separately may do so no later than April 22, 2021.
  - 3. This order is effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Charles Hatcher, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo (2016).

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.