

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

In the Matter of the Application of Laclede Gas )  
Company to Change Its Infrastructure System ) **File No. GO-2016-0333**  
Replacement Surcharge in its Laclede Gas )  
Service Territory )

In the Matter of the Application of Laclede Gas )  
Company to Change Its Infrastructure System ) **File No. GO-2016-0332**  
Replacement Surcharge in its Missouri Gas )  
Energy Service Territory )

In the Matter of the Application of Laclede Gas )  
Company to Change Its Infrastructure System ) **File No. GO-2017-0202**  
Replacement Surcharge in its Laclede Gas )  
Service Territory )

In the Matter of the Application of Laclede Gas )  
Company to Change Its Infrastructure System ) **File No. GO-2017-0201**  
Replacement Surcharge in its Missouri Gas )  
Energy Service Territory )

In the Matter of the Application of Spire Missouri )  
Inc. to Establish an Infrastructure System ) **File No. GO-2018-0309**  
Replacement Surcharge in its Spire Missouri )  
East Service Territory )

In the Matter of the Application of Spire Missouri )  
Inc. to Establish an Infrastructure System ) **File No. GO-2018-0310**  
Replacement Surcharge in its Spire Missouri )  
West Service Territory )

**LIST OF ISSUES, ORDER OF WITNESSES, ORDER OF CROSS-  
EXAMINATION AND ORDER OF OPENING STATEMENTS**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, on behalf of all parties to the above-referenced dockets and for its *List of Issues, Order of Witnesses, Order of Cross-Examination and Order of Opening Statements* states:

Laclede Gas Company ("LAC") now known as Spire Missouri Inc.'s Spire East Service Area and Laclede Gas Company d/b/a Missouri Gas Energy ("MGE") now

known as Spire Missouri Inc.'s Spire West Service Area previously filed applications to change its Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharges (ISRS) in 2016 and 2017 for which the Commission opened Case Nos. GO-2016-0332, GO-2016-0333, GO-2017-0201, and GO-2017-0202, and to establish an ISRS for its Spire East and Spire West service areas for which the Commission opened Case Nos. GO-2018-0309 and GR-2018-0310. The Procedural Schedule ordered by the Commission for the matters sets an evidentiary hearing for August 27 - 28, 2018. This list of issues, order of witnesses, cross-examination and order of statements has been assembled by Staff based on input from the parties and comprises the best efforts of the parties to list all issues in these matters. All parties to these matters do not agree that all issues listed herein are actual issues in these cases. To prevent the need for filing multiple lists of issues, the parties have agree to include all issues in this pleading whether or not agreed to by opposing parties.

The parties to the above-referenced matters are:

Spire Missouri East and Spire Missouri West - Spire Missouri

OPC – The Office of the Public Counsel

Staff

## **LIST OF ISSUES**

### **I. Remanded Matters**

#### **a. Potential Costs**

- i. What costs, if any, were recovered through Spire Missouri East's and West's 2016 and 2017 ISRS for the replacement of ineligible plastic components not in a worn out or in a deteriorated condition?

#### **b. Potential Refunds**

- i. What costs, if any, should Spire be required to refund pursuant to the Missouri Western District Court of Appeals Opinion remanding Spire Missouri East's and West's 2016 and 2017 ISRS?

- c. Methodology**
      - i. What is the appropriate methodology for making this determination?
      - ii. Factually, what is the amount of plastic components not in a worn out or in a deteriorated condition replaced for each ISRS period?
    - d. Rate Design**
      - i. To the extent such ineligible costs exist, how should they be returned to ratepayers?
- II. 2018 Matters**
  - a. Compliance**
    - i. Is Spire's ISRS filing compliant with the ISRS statutes Sections 393.1009 through 393.1015?
  - b. Potential Costs**
    - i. What costs should Spire Missouri be permitted to collect through its 2018 ISRS filing?
  - c. Rate Design**
    - i. How should Spire Missouri's 2018 ISRS rates be calculated?

## **HEARING SCHEDULE**

Pursuant to the Commission's order, hearings will start each day at 8:30am. The parties intend to maintain this hearing schedule and acknowledge that it may be necessary to hold hearings after 5pm.

### **August 27, 2018**

#### **Opening Statements**

- Spire Missouri
- Staff
- OPC

#### **Potential Refunds– for Remanded filings**

- **OPC witness**
  - Robert Schallenberg

### **Potential Costs and Methodology – for Remanded filings**

- **Spire Missouri witnesses**
  - Craig Hoeflerlin
  - Mark Lauber
  - Eric Lobser
  - Glenn Buck
- **Staff witness**
  - Kim Bolin
- **OPC witnesses**
  - Robert Schallenberg
  - John Robinett

### **Potential Costs and Rate Design – for 2018 filings**

- **Spire Missouri witnesses**
  - Craig Hoeflerlin
  - Mark Lauber
  - Eric Lobser
  - Glenn Buck
- **Staff witnesses**
  - Caroline Newkirk
  - Ali Arabian
- **OPC witness**
  - Robert Schallenberg

### **Rate Design – for Remanded and 2018 filings**

- **Spire Missouri witnesses**
  - Craig Hoeflerlin
  - Mark Lauber
  - Eric Lobser
  - Glenn Buck
- **Staff witness**
  - Dave Sommerer
- **OPC witness**
  - John Robinett

**August 28, 2018**

**Remaining Issues**

**ORDER OF CROSS-EXAMINATION**

**Spire Missouri Witnesses**

*Staff, OPC*

**Staff Witnesses**

*OPC, Spire Missouri*

**OPC Witnesses**

*Staff, Spire Missouri*

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served electronically, or hand-delivered, or via First Class United States Mail, postage prepaid, on all parties of record herein on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2018.

**/s/ Whitney Payne**