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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,

Thank you for your continued leadership in furthering the development of safe and reliable U.S. energy infrastructure. I write in support of Spire STL Pipeline, LLC's (STL Pipeline) July 26, 2021 temporary certificate application at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

Until recently, more than 650,000 residents and businesses in the St. Louis region lacked direct access to reliable, affordable, and abundant natural gas supplies from diverse domestic sources. The STL Pipeline changed this by tapping into gas supply from the Rockies and Appalachian Basins, providing resilience and supply diversity year-round and when St. Louis needs are most critical.

Since being placed into service, the STL Pipeline has already demonstrated its substantial value in keeping vulnerable populations in the St. Louis area warm and providing the regional economy significant benefits as it emerges from the pandemic. While others across central United States struggled with gas supply constraints and high costs during Storm Uri in February 2021, STL Pipeline ensured the region had access to affordable energy, saving ratepayers up to \$300 million in the process.

As Missouri's official advocate for seniors, I am particularly sensitive to their financial well-being and quality of life and believe the STL Pipeline to be vitally important for both. I support STL Pipeline's application so that the St. Louis region can avoid potentially dire and life-threatening gas shortages in the months ahead and throughout the winter. I look forward to the FERC's prompt consideration and response to the temporary certificate application for this crucial energy infrastructure. Please do not hesitate to reach out if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Mike Kehoe

cc. Honorable Ryan Silvey, Chair MO Public Service Commission
Honorables Scott Rupp, Maida Coleman, Jason Holsman, Glenn Kolkmeyer---MO PSC

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