

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Spire)
Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Spire for a Certificate of)
Convenience and Necessity to Construct, Install,)
Own, Operate, Maintain, and Otherwise Control) **File No. GA-2021-0010**
and Manage a Natural Gas Distribution System)
to Provide Gas Service in Cass County as an)
Expansion of its Existing Certificated Area)

ORDER AND NOTICE

Issue Date: July 14, 2020

Effective Date: July 14, 2020

On July 13, 2020, Spire Missouri, Inc. (the “Company”), filed the above-referenced application. The application seeks, among other things, permission and approval and a certificate of convenience and necessity (“CCN”) to construct, install, own, operate, maintain, and otherwise control and manage a natural gas distribution system to provide gas service in Lawrence County, Missouri, as a further expansion of the Company’s existing certificated area.

The Commission will direct notice of the application be given to the Cass County Commission, local newspapers, and members of the General Assembly representing residents of Cass County. The Commission will set a deadline for interested parties to intervene.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission’s Data Center shall provide a copy of this order and the Application to the County Commission of Cass County, Missouri.
2. The Commission’s Public Information Officer shall make notice of this order available to the members of the General Assembly representing Cass County and to the media serving that county.

3. Any person wishing to intervene in this matter shall file an application to intervene no later than July 29, 2020. The application shall be filed in the Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System ("EFIS") or with the Secretary of the Commission. Comments on the Application may also be made in EFIS.

4. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Ronald D. Pridgin, Regulatory Law Judge,
By delegation of authority pursuant
To Section 388.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
On the 14th day of July, 2020.

In the Matter of the Application of Spire Missouri, Inc., for)
a Certificate of Convenience and)
Necessity to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Maintain, and) Case No. _____
Otherwise Control and Manage a Natural Gas Distribution)
System to Provide Gas Service in Cass)
County as an Expansion of its Existing Certificated Area.)

COMES NOW Spire Missouri, Inc. (“Spire” or the “Company”), on behalf of its Spire Missouri West operating unit and by and through its undersigned counsel, and, pursuant to RSMo. §393.170, RSMo, 20 CSR 4240-2.060 and Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-3.205, requests a certificate of convenience and necessity (“CCN”) to construct, install, own, operate, maintain, and otherwise control and manage a natural gas distribution system to provide gas service in Cass County, Missouri, as a further expansion of its existing certificated area. In support of this request, Spire respectfully states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”):

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2. Spire West is engaged in the business of distributing and transporting natural gas to customers in Missouri as a gas corporation subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission. Spire West provides gas service in western Missouri to customers in the western Missouri counties of Andrew, Barry, Barton, Bates, Buchanan, Carroll, Cass, Cedar, Christian, Clay, Clinton, Cooper, Dade, Dekalb, Greene, Henry, Howard, Jackson, Jasper, Johnson, Lafayette, Lawrence, McDonald, Moniteau, Newton, Pettis, Platte, Ray, Saline, Stone, and Vernon. Other than cases that have been docketed at the Commission, Spire West has no pending action or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court within the past three years that involve customer service or rates. Spire West has no annual report or assessment fees that are overdue.
3. All correspondence, communications, notices, orders and decisions of the Commission with respect to this matter should be sent to the undersigned counsel and to:

Wesley E. Selinger
Manager, Rates and Planning
Spire Missouri Inc.
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(314) 230-5867

4. Spire seeks a service area CCN to provide gas to two separate projects. The first project (“Project One”) will extend service to an industrial park located in Section 29, Township 46 North, Range 32 West. The second project (“Project Two”) will extend service to commercial customers with the potential to service residential customers located in Sections 17, 20, and 29 in Township 44 North, Range 30 West. These projects are both located in Cass County, Missouri.

The listed sections above are areas where customers have contacted Spire with a need for a distribution system extension to receive natural gas service. The legal descriptions of the requested areas are set forth in the attached Appendices. Attached as Appendix 1 is a plat drawn to a scale of one-half inch (1/2") to the mile on maps comparable to county highway maps issued by the Missouri Department of Transportation or a plat drawn to a scale of two thousand feet (2,000') to the inch.

5. Estimated revenues and expenses for the first three years of operations are shown in the feasibility studies for both Project 1 and Project 2. These feasibility studies are attached in Appendix 2. Pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.135(2)(A)3 and 4, Appendix 2 has been identified as Confidential because it contains information relating to market-specific information. No external financing will be required for construction relating to these projects.

6. The rates for the proposed areas will be those approved and in effect for the customers in the adjoining Spire West operating unit certificated areas, until such rates may be changed by approved tariff or order of the Commission. Spire anticipates it may add up to fifteen additional customers from Project 2. The addresses of these potential customers are attached in Appendix 3. The potential for additional customers related to Project 1 is unclear at this time, as this extension is to serve a developing industrial park.

7. Spire holds all necessary franchises and permits from municipalities, counties, or other authorities that are required for Spire to serve the subject areas. A county-wide assent document from the Cass County Commission can be found in Appendix 4.

8. Spire's experience in the operation of natural gas systems gives it the ability to provide this service in an efficient manner. For all reasons set forth herein, a grant of the

application will further the public convenience and necessity.

9. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1) provides that “(a)ny person that intends to file a case shall file a notice with the secretary of the commission a minimum of sixty (60) days prior to filing such case.” No such notice was filed herein. As such, Spire seeks a waiver of the 60-day notice requirement.

10. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1)(D) provides that a waiver may be granted for good cause. In this regard, Spire declares (as verified below) that they have had no communication with the Office of the Commission (as defined in Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.015(10)) within the prior 150 days regarding any substantive issue likely to be in this case.

WHEREFORE, Spire requests, for good cause shown, that the Commission waive the notice requirement of 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1), approve this Application, and issue a CCN to Spire as set forth above and in the attached schedules, and grant such other and further relief as is just and proper under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,
SPIRE MISSOURI INC.

By: /s/ **Matthew Aplington**

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing application has been sent to all Parties of record by electronic mail this 13th day of July 2020.

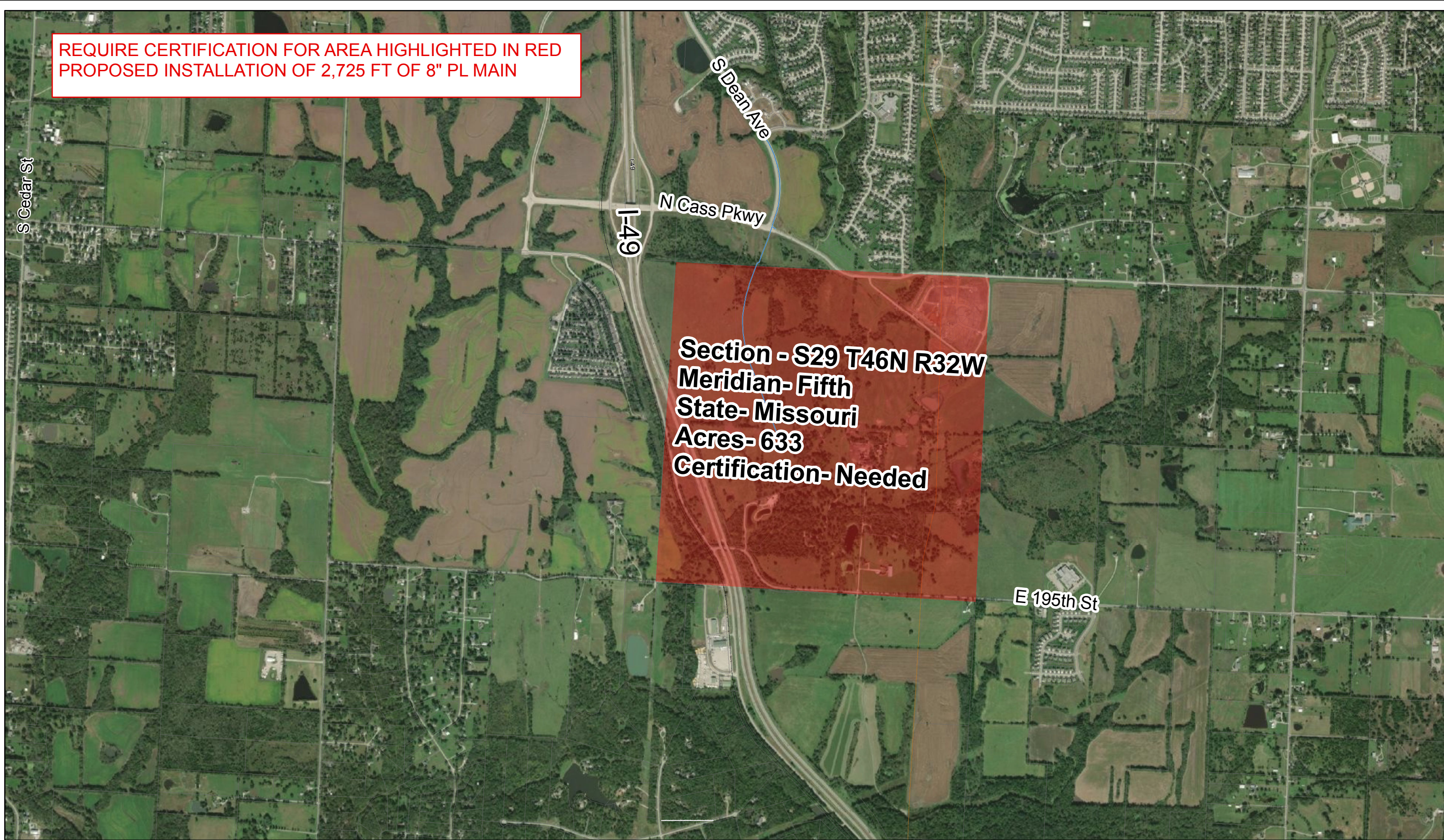
/s/ **Goldie Bockstruck**

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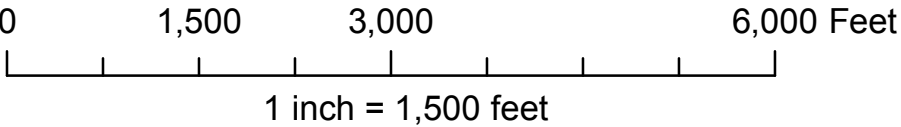
STATE OF MISSOURI)
) SS.
CITY OF ST. LOUIS)

3. Under penalty of perjury, I declare that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Job Description: Raymore Industrial Center MEXTE



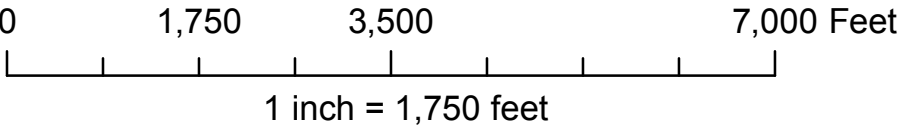
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Project #: 803572



INSTALLING 10, 570 FT OF 4" PL
AND 3,330 FT OF 2" PL MAIN.



Job Description: Garden City - MEXTE



Maximo Work Order: 20586503
Project #: 803671



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Cass County CCN

Project 2 Garden City Addresses

Residential Addresses North of Highway 7

North Side of Triangle Area

30309 E 283rd St Garden City, MO 64747
30101 E 283rd St Garden City, MO 64747
30009 E 283rd St Garden City, MO 64747
29807 E 283rd St Garden City, MO 64747
29701 E 283rd St Garden City, MO 64747
29603 E 283rd St Garden City, MO 64747
29503 E 283rd St Garden City, MO 64747
29403 E 283rd St Garden City, MO 64747

East Side of Triangle Area

28322 S Kauffman Rd Garden City, MO 64747
28411 S Kauffman Rd Garden City, MO 64747
28408 S Kauffman Rd Garden City, MO 64747
28418 S Kauffman Rd Garden City, MO 64747

North Along Highway 7

28424 HWY 7 Garden City, MO 64747
28418 HWY 7 Garden City, MO 64747
28400 HWY 7 Garden City, MO 64747

Certified Copy of Record

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
County of Cass, } ss.

In the County Commission of Cass County, Missouri, at the January Term, 2020, held on the 6th day of February, 2020 amongst others, were the following proceedings:

**CASS COUNTY, MISSOURI
ORDER NO.20-01
Spire Gas Company**

AN ORDER GRANTING TO SPIRE MISSOURI, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, AN ASSENT TO USE OF THE PUBLIC ROADS OR HIGHWAYS OF CASS COUNTY, MISSOURI, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION SERVICE AND RELATED FACILITIES UNDER SAID PUBLIC ROADS OR HIGHWAYS.

WHEREAS, Cass County (the "County") is a political subdivision duly organized and validly existing under the Constitution and laws of the State of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Spire Missouri is a Missouri corporation duly authorized to conduct business in Missouri and is engaged in the construction and operation of natural gas distribution facilities in Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Spire Missouri intends to request and obtain a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity from the Missouri Public Service Commission, recognizing that projects to be placed in service by the Company in Cass County are in the public interest and authorizing it to construct natural gas distribution facilities in Southwest Missouri and, specifically, in the County; and

WHEREAS, Spire Missouri anticipates utilizing the public roads and highways of the County as construction routes; and

WHEREAS, Spire Missouri intends to install natural gas distribution facilities under the public roads and highways of the County; and

WHEREAS, the County, acting by and through its County Commission, desires to grant to Spire Missouri its assent authorizing Spire Missouri to construct natural gas facilities under the public roads or highways.

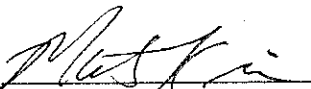
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION
OF CASS COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. There is hereby granted to Spire Missouri, its successors and assigns, the assent of Cass County (the "County") pursuant to section 229.100 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri for the use of the public roads or highways of Cass County, Missouri, for the construction of natural gas distribution or related facilities through, on, under, and across said public roads or highways. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the assent granted herein shall not be invalidated by the subsequent repeal of section 229.100 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

Section 2. This order shall be in force and effect from and after its passage.



Bob Huston
Presiding Commissioner



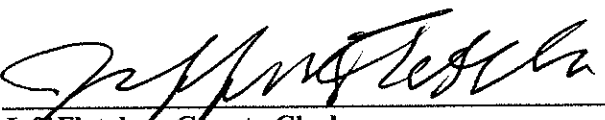
Monty Kisner
Associate Commissioner #1



Jimmy Odom
Associate Commissioner #2

I, Jeff Fletcher, Clerk of the County Commission said County, hereby certify the above and foregoing to be a true copy of the proceedings of said County Commission, on the day and year above written; **IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Commission, at office in the courthouse in Harrisonville, Missouri, this 6th day of February, 2020.

(SEAL)



Jeff Fletcher, County Clerk

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

**WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission,
at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 14th day of July 2020.**




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

July 14, 2020

File/Case No. GA-2021-0010

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

Recipients listed above with a valid e-mail address will receive electronic service. Recipients without a valid e-mail address will receive paper service.