

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

In the Matter of an Investigation into)	
Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire)	<u>File No. GS-2025-0209</u>
Concerning a Natural Gas Incident In)	
St. Louis, Missouri)	

STAFF'S STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (hereafter the "Staff"), by and through counsel, and for its Staff's Status Report states as follows:

1. On January 21, 2025,¹ Staff filed a Motion to Establish a Case requesting the Commission open a file for investigation of a natural gas pipeline incident in St. Louis, Missouri. The Motion described an incident that occurred on January 3 in the Glendale area of St. Louis, Missouri, an area served by Spire Missouri Inc. d/b/a Spire ("Spire"). A third-party excavator performing sewer repair work at 895 Glen Elm Drive, struck and damaged a natural gas service line. Natural gas migrated into the house, and ignited, resulting in an explosion and house fire.

2. On January 24, the Commission granted Staff's Motion and ordered Staff to file a report regarding the incident or a report on the status of its investigation no later than April 30.

3. Staff filed a Status Report on April 29, and with the Commission's leave, filed a second Status Report on July 17. On July 18, the Commission issued its Order Extending Time for Report and ordered Staff to file and investigative report or a report on the status of Staff's investigation no later than October 9.

¹ All date references will be to 2025 unless otherwise stated.

4. On October 8, 2025, Staff filed a Status Report with the Commission requesting additional time to further investigate this matter, and requested the Commission issue an Order that Staff submit its investigation report or a status report on or before January 16, 2026. The Commission issued an Order granting Staff's request on October 9, 2025.

5. Spire has not yet provided Staff with the results of an investigation into the incident or how to minimize the possibility of a recurrence as required by 20 CSR 4240- 40.030(12)(L), or the results of its Root Cause Analysis as required by paragraph 17 of the January 20, 2022, Stipulation and Agreement approved by the Commission in Case No. GC-2022-0087.

6. Staff continues to conduct discovery in this matter related to Spire's failure investigation and Root Cause Analysis. Staff will require additional time to review and analyze the information yet to be provided by Spire prior to finalizing its investigation report. Staff will use this time to complete a draft report, submit its report to internal review, request, receive and review Spire's identification of confidential information and feedback on the report's facts section and obtain feedback from the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA).

7. Staff requests that the Commission direct that the report, or a status report, be filed no later than April 27, 2026.

WHEREFORE, for the above-stated reasons, Staff respectfully requests the Commission order Staff to file a report regarding its investigation, or a report on the status of Staff's investigation, no later than April 27, 2026, and to grant such other and further relief as the Commission considers just and reasonable under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been transmitted by electronic mail to counsel of record this 15th day of January, 2026.

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