Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

November 12, 2021

The Honorable Richard Glick Chairman Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, NE Washington, D.C. 20426

Dear Chairman Glick,

We applaud the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) September 14, 2021, action to issue a temporary certificate authorizing the continued operation of the Spire STL Pipeline Project ("STL Pipeline") for 90 days. While this temporary measure will continue to provide critical access to affordable and reliable clean natural gas for many homes and businesses in the St. Louis region through December 13, 2021, it is imperative that the temporary certificate be extended past the winter months to April 1, 2022.

In the St. Louis region alone, over 650,000 residential, commercial, and industrial customers rely on the STL Pipeline as a critical domestic energy source. However, as mentioned in a letter previously sent on August 24, 2021, from Members of the Missouri delegation, shutting down the Spire STL Pipeline during the winter months would have a devastating effect on the local communities, resulting in a spike in the cost of natural gas and widespread service outages.

Spire STL has been closely coordinating with emergency management officials, first responders and relief organizations across three counties and the City of St. Louis to ensure everyone is aware of the potential service disruptions. Nevertheless, the threat of forcing Missourians to brave the winter cold without heat is unacceptable. We strongly urge FERC to work with Spire STL on a more viable solution.

Again, we encourage the Commission to give full, fair, and transparent consideration to extend Spire's current temporary emergency certification as quickly as possible. We look forward to working alongside our federal partners to ensure Missourians remain safe during the winter months.

Sincerely,

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