## Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline Appoints Shawn L. Patterson as President and Chief Executive Officer

(Owensboro, KY – Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc.) – Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc. (the "Company") today announced that Shawn L. Patterson, currently Chief Operations Officer of the Company, will become President and Chief Executive Officer effective October 1, 2022. He will assume day-to-day leadership of the Company at that time and will also join the Company's Board of Directors. Mr. Patterson succeeds Jimmy D. Staton who left the Company on February 28, 2022.

"We are truly fortunate to have a talented and experienced leadership team at Southern Star and the Board of Directors is pleased that we have an internal candidate that will take the Company to the next level," said Julie A. Dill, Executive Chair. "Shawn has been integral in positioning the Company as an industry, market and community leader and the Board is confident he is the right leader to continue to execute on our strategic plans."

Mr. Patterson has extensive experience in the energy sector and has served as the Company's Chief Operations Officer since June 2017. Prior to joining Southern Star, he served as the Senior Vice-President, U.S. Operations for TransCanada and the Chief Operations Officer and Executive Vice-President of Columbia Pipeline Group that TransCanada acquired in 2016. Before that, Mr. Patterson served as the General Manager for Columbia Gas

of Pennsylvania and Maryland, as well as in various leadership positions at NiSource.

Mr. Patterson is active in industry organizations including the Interstate Natural Gas Association Foundation, the Southern Gas Association, One Future, as well as the national Cyber Security Task Force for the natural gas industry. He is also an active member in the Owensboro community, serving on the boards of the Greater Owensboro Chamber of Commerce, Wendell Foster, and the Regional Water Resource Agency. Mr. Patterson received his undergraduate degree from Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology and an MBA from the University of Notre Dame.

"Southern Star is an incredible company with dedicated and talented employees that are focused on safety, customer service and innovation. I am humbled and privileged to be appointed as the next CEO of Southern Star and am looking forward to transitioning into this new role and leading the Company to continued success," said Patterson.



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## **About Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc.**

Southern Star is a leading transporter of natural gas to America's heartland, with approximately 5,800 miles of natural gas transmission pipeline in the Midwest and Mid-Continent regions of the United States. Our pipeline system, facilities and employees are located in Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Wyoming, Colorado, Nebraska and Texas, with our headquarters in Owensboro, KY.