BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company for Authority to File Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric Service Provided to Customers in the Company's Missouri Service Area

Case No. ER-2014-0351

REQUEST FOR LEAVE TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL

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COMES NOW Alexander Antal, Assistant Staff Counsel, and files with the Missouri Public Service Commission the following *Request for Leave to Withdraw as Counsel ("Request")*:

1. I am filing this *Request* because beginning April 6, 2015; I will no longer be part of the Commission's Staff Counsel's Office.

2. Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.040(6) states, "After an attorney has entered an appearance for any party, the attorney may withdraw only by leave of the commission."

3. The Staff of the Commission will continue to be represented by the remaining counsel assigned to this case.

WHEREFORE, I respectfully file this *Request* and request the Commission grant the leave to withdrawal as counsel in the above styled case.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>/s/ Alexander Antal</u>

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 2^{nd} day of April, 2015.

<u>/s/ Alexander Antal_</u>