BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty (Empire) for Authority to Implement Rate Adjustments Related to the Company's Fuel and Purchase Power Adjustment (FAC) Required in 20 CSR 4240-20.090

File No. ER-2022-0095

In the Matter of The True-Up of the Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty (Empire) Fuel Adjustment Clause (FAC) True-Up File No. EO-2022-0096 Tariff No. JE-2022-0067

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND SETTING DEADLINES FOR INTERVENTION APPLICATIONS AND STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: October 1, 2021

Effective Date: October 1, 2021

On October 1, 2021, The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty filed a revised tariff sheet proposing a revised fuel adjustment rate and bearing an effective date of December 1, 2021. Also on October 1, 2021, Liberty initiated a rate adjustment mechanism true-up, to be included in the proposed fuel adjustment rate.

Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090 provides a 60-day timeline for resolution of these rate adjustment mechanism proceedings. The Commission will direct notice be given and set a deadline for intervention applications. The Commission will also direct Staff to file recommendations in both cases, as required by 20 CSR 4240-20.090.

Parties to Liberty's most recent general rate proceeding in which the Commission established, continued, or modified the electric utility's rate adjustment mechanism are automatically parties to these proceedings without application for intervention, pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-20.090(17). Thus, the parties to File No. ER-2019-0374 are parties to these cases.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's data center shall add the parties to File No. ER-2019-0374 to the service list for these cases, and shall provide a copy of this order to those parties.

2. The Commission's data center shall provide notice of this order to the county commissions for each county in Liberty's service territory.

3. The Commission's Public Policy and Outreach Department shall provide notice of this order to news media serving residents in Liberty's service territory and members of the General Assembly representing residents in Liberty's service territory.

Applications for intervention shall be filed no later than October 21, 2021.
Any such filing shall be submitted through the Commission's electronic filing and information system or delivered to:

Secretary Missouri Public Service Commission P. O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102

5. No later than November 1, 2021,¹ the Staff of the Commission shall file recommendations reporting Staff's examination and analysis of Liberty's application and tariff sheet in these two cases, as provided by 20 CSR 4240-20.090(8) and (9).

6. Any response to Liberty's proposed fuel adjustment rate and/or proposed true-up amount from the Office of the Public Counsel and other parties shall be filed no later than November 10, 2021, as provided by 20 CSR 4240-20.090(8) and (9).

¹ The rule provides Staff's recommendation is due 30 days after Liberty's October 1, 2021 filing, which is Sunday, October 31. The 30-day period is not statutory. Applying the computation of time rule, 20 CSR 4240-2.050, Staff's recommendation is due Monday, November 1.

7. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Ross Keeling, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo (2016).

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 1st day of October, 2021.

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 1st day of October, 2021.



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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

October 1, 2021

File/Case No. ER-2022-0095 and EO-2022-0096

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

Sincerely,

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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.