BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Tariff Filing of The Empire District Electric Company of Joplin, Missouri to Implement a General Rate Increase for Retail Electric Service Provided to Customers in the Missouri Service Area of the Company

Case No. ER-2006-0315

ORDER SETTING CONFERENCE

Issue Date: January 24, 2007

Effective Date: January 24, 2007

On January 22, 2007, The Empire District Electric Company filed a pleading in which it requested that the Commission schedule a conference of the parties in this matter to address procedural concerns about the Report and Order, the Compliance Tariffs and the Order Approving Compliance Tariffs. The Commission finds this request to be reasonable and will grant it as follows.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. A conference shall be held on February 2, 2007, beginning at 2:00 p.m., in Room 310 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. The conference will be held in a building that meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need additional accommodations to participate in this conference, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the conference. 2. This order shall become effective on January 24, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Colleen M. Dale, Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 24th day of January, 2007.