

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

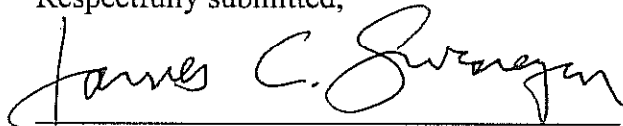
In the matter of the application of	)	
The Empire District Electric Company	)	
for the issuance of an Accounting	)	Case No. EU-2011-0387
Authority Order relating to its	)	
electrical operations and for a contingent	)	
waiver of the notice requirement	)	
of 4 CSR 240-4.020(2).	)	

**RESPONSE OF THE EMPIRE  
DISTRICT ELECTRIC COMPANY**

Comes now The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire"), by counsel, and for its Response, as directed by the Order Establishing a Response Deadline issued in this matter by the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") on August 30, 2011, states as follows:

1. Empire continues to desire the relief requested in its application which is the subject of this proceeding.
2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, on August 31, 2011, Empire provided to the other parties to this proceeding a proposal to resolve this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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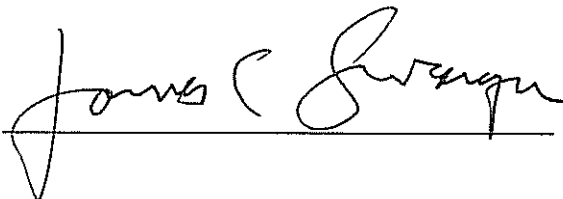
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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was sent via electronic mail on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2011, to:

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