

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

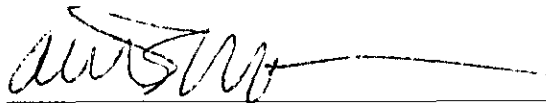
In the Matter of the Empire District Electric)
Company of Joplin, Missouri for Authority)
to File Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric) **Case No. ER-2006-0315**
Service Provided to Customers in the)
Missouri Service Area of the Company)

NOTICE OF RECUSAL

COMES NOW, JANET E. WHEELER, Personal Advisor to Commissioner Terry Jarrett
of the Missouri Public Service Commission, and states the following:

1. I commenced employment with the Missouri Public Service Commission on November 15, 2007 in my position as Personal Advisor to Commissioner Terry Jarrett.
2. That no *ex parte* communication, as set out in 4 CSR 240-4.020, has occurred in the above captioned matter between me, Commissioner Jarrett, any other commissioner, administrative law judge or employee of the Commission.
3. That, other than this response, I will have no involvement, participation or contact with Commissioner Jarrett, any other commissioner, administrative law judge or employee of the Commission in the aforesaid case.


Respectfully Submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day, November 29th, 2007, served the foregoing Notice of Recusal by U.S. Mail, First Class delivery to all parties by their attorneys of record as provided by the Secretary of the Public Service Commission.



Janet E. Wheeler