BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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

<u>Case No. ER-2008-0093</u> Tariff File No. YE-2008-0205

ORDER SHORTENING DEADLINE TO OBJECT AND ESTABLISHING DEADLINE TO RESPOND TO OBJECTIONS

Issue Date: June 4, 2008

Effective Date: June 4, 2008

During the evidentiary hearing in this case, Praxair, Inc., Explorer Pipeline Company, and General Mills, Inc., were directed to assemble and file Late Filed Exhibit 32 containing specific information prepared by Maurice Brubaker. Because the current due date for initial post hearing brief is fast approaching, the Commission shall shorten the time for filing objections to Late Filed Exhibit 32 and establish a deadline to respond to any such objections.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Any party wishing to file an objection to Late Filed Exhibit 32 shall do so no later than June 10, 2008.

2. Any party wishing to file a response to any timely filed objection to late filed Exhibit 32 shall do so no later than June 16, 2008.

3. This order shall become effective on June 4, 2008.



Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Cherlyn D. Voss, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 4th day of June, 2008.