

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

The Empire District Electric)	Case No. EO-2008-0069
Company's 2007 Utility Resource)	
Filing Pursuant to 4 CSR 240 –)	
Chapter 22)	
)	

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE COMMENTS

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), pursuant to 4 CSR 240-22.080(12) and with the consent of all parties, respectfully requests that the Commission grant additional time for all parties to file comments in response to the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) of The Empire District Electric Company (Company).

1. On or about September 5, 2007, the Company filed its IRP as required by 4 CSR 240 – Chapter 22.
2. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-22.080(5) and (6), comments on the IRP are due January 3, 2008.
3. The parties have met and reviewed the plan and are in the process of formulating their comments.
4. Due to the intervening holidays and other response deadlines for other matters pending before the Commission with filing deadlines in early January 2008, it will be extremely difficult for the parties to adequately prepare comments by the current deadline.

5. All parties agree that they will be better able to present the issues in this matter to the Commission with additional time to comment

WHEREFORE, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources on behalf of all parties respectfully requests that all parties be allowed through and including January 15, 2008 to file comments in response to the IRP.

Respectfully submitted,

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