BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of a Proceeding Under)	
Section 393.137 (SB 564) to Adjust the)	Case No. ER-2018-0366
Electric Rates of The Empire District)	
Electric Company)	

POSITION STATEMENT OF CITY OF JOPLIN

The City of Joplin takes a position on the issues designated below. For its Position Statement, Joplin states:

1. Should Empire District's rates be adjusted prospectively to reflect the reduction in the federal corporate income tax rate from 35% to 21% due to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act ("TCJA")?

Yes. The City of Joplin supports the Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement filed in this case by Empire, Staff, and Joplin on July 17, 2018.

Other Issues

The City of Joplin does not take a position on any issue not addressed in the Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement filed in this case on July 17, 2018 at this time but reserves the right to do so as additional evidence is presented to the Commission, and reserves the right to cross-examine any witness on, and to brief, any issue.

WHEREFORE, the City of Joplin respectfully submits its Statement of

Position.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true copies of the foregoing were sent by email to the parties of record as set out on the official Service List maintained by the Data Center of the Missouri Public Service Commission for this case.

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