

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)	
Company's Application for Expedited Treatment)	<u>Case No. ET-2008-0223</u>
Concerning Net Metering Tariff Sheets)	Tariff No. YE-2008-0408

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: January 9, 2008

Effective Date: January 9, 2008

On January 3, 2008, The Empire District Electric Company filed a revised tariff that would implement a new Missouri statute, the "Net Metering and Easy Connection Act",¹ which took effect on January 1, 2008. That tariff carries an effective date of February 22, but Empire filed a motion along with its tariff asking the Commission to expedite its approval of the tariff to allow it to go into effect on January 17. Staff filed a favorable recommendation the following day.

The Office of the Public Counsel filed a Motion to Suspend on January 9. OPC claims that the tariffs have numbering issues due to the Commission's treatment of Empire's tariff from a prior rate case. Thus, OPC asks the Commission to suspend the tariffs until the numbering issues are resolved.

Because Empire has requested the Commission to approve the tariffs as of January 17, the Commission will order Empire and Staff to respond to OPC's motion in time for the Commission to consider Empire's request.

¹ Section 386.890, RSMo (Supp. 2007)

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Empire District Electric Company and the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall respond to Public Counsel's Motion to Suspend Tariffs no later than January 11, 2008.

2. This order shall become effective on January 9, 2008.

BY THE COMMISSION



Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Ronald D. Pridgin, Senior Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 9th day of January, 2008.