

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

In the Matter of The Empire District Gas)
Company's d/b/a Liberty Request to File) **File No. GR-2021-0320**
Tariffs to Change its Rates for Natural Gas)
Service)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TARIFFS

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through the undersigned counsel, and files its *Staff Recommendation to Approve Tariff Sheets* and states as follows:

1. On July 7, 2022, The Empire District Gas Company d/b/a Liberty ("EDG") filed tariffs in Tariff Tracking No. YG-2023-0008 that EDG stated in its accompanying cover letter were intended to reflect the Commission's *Report and Order* issued on June 23, 2022.

2. EDG further withdrew, substituted and refiled the tariff sheets in Tariff Tracking Nos. YG-2023-0008 and YG-2023-0009 on July 14, 2022, and noted in its accompanying transmittal letter that the substitutes and refiling reflected input EDG received from Staff.

3. Staff has reviewed the tariff sheets filed in Tariff Tracking No. YG-2023-0008, and as substituted on July 14, 2022, and as filed in Tariff Tracking No. YG-2023-0009 and recommends the Commission approve them or allow them to go into effect for service:

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3rd Revised Sheet No. 2 Cancelling 2nd Revised Sheet No. 2

2nd Revised Sheet No. 9 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 9

1st Revised Sheet No. 9.a Cancelling Original Sheet No. 9.a

2nd Revised Sheet No. 10 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 10

1st Revised Sheet No. 10.a Cancelling Original Sheet No. 10.a

2nd Revised Sheet No. 11 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 11

1st Revised Sheet No. 11.1 Cancelling Original Sheet No. 11.1

1st Revised Sheet No. 11a Cancelling Original Sheet No. 11a

1st Revised Sheet No. 11.bb Cancelling Original Sheet No. 11.b

2nd Revised Sheet No. 12 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 12

1st Revised Sheet No. 13.a Cancelling Original Sheet No. 13.a

2nd Revised Sheet No. 14 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 14

1st Revised Sheet No. 15.a Cancelling Original Sheet No. 15.a

2nd Revised Sheet No. 23 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 23

2nd Revised Sheet No. 28 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 28

2nd Revised Sheet No. 30 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 30

2nd Revised Sheet No. 33 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 33

2nd Revised Sheet No. 34 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 34 as substituted
on 14 July 2022

2nd Revised Sheet No. 35 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 35

2nd Revised Sheet No. 36 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 36

1st Revised Sheet No. 36.a Cancelling Original Sheet No. 36.a

2nd Revised Sheet No. 37 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 37

1st Revised Sheet No. 38.a Cancelling Original Sheet No. 38.a

2nd Revised Sheet No. 39 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 39

1st Revised Sheet No. 40.a Cancelling Original Sheet No. 40.a

2nd Revised Sheet No. 41 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 41

2nd Revised Sheet No. 42 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 42

2nd Revised Sheet No. 43 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 43

2nd Revised Sheet No. 45 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 45

2nd Revised Sheet No. 46 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 46

1st Revised Sheet No. 58 Cancelling Original Sheet No. 58

1st Revised Sheet No. 59 Cancelling Original Sheet No. 59

18th Revised Sheet No. 62 Cancelling 17th Revised Sheet No. 62, as added
on 14 July 2022

18th Revised Sheet No. 63 Cancelling 17th Revised Sheet No. 63, as added
on 14 July 2022

18th Revised Sheet No. 65 Cancelling 17th Revised Sheet No. 65, as added
on 14 July 2022

Original Sheet No. 66

Original Sheet No. 67

Original Sheet No. 68

Original Sheet No. 69

2nd Revised Sheet No. R-2 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. R-2 as substituted
on 14 July 2022

1st Revised Sheet No. R-24 Cancelling Original Sheet No. R-24

2nd Revised Sheet No. R-41 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. R-41

1st Revised Sheet No. R-51a Cancelling Original Sheet No. R-51a

1st Revised Sheet No. R-51c Cancelling Original Sheet No. R-51c
2nd Revised Sheet No. R-51g Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. R-51g
2nd Revised Sheet No. R-51h Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. R-51h
1st Revised Sheet No. R-51i Cancelling Original Sheet No. R-51i
2nd Revised Sheet No. R-51j Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. R-51j
1st Revised Sheet No. R-51k Cancelling Original Sheet No. R-51k
2nd Revised Sheet No. R-51l Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. R-51l
2nd Revised Sheet No. R-51m Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. R-51m
2nd Revised Sheet No. R-51n Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. R-51n
2nd Revised Sheet No. R-53 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. R-53

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends the Commission either issue an order approving the tariff sheets filed in this matter Tariff Tracking No. YG-2023-0008, and as substituted on July 14, 2022, and Tariff Tracking No. YG-2023-0009, or allow the same tariff sheets to go into effect by operation of law.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all parties and/or their counsel of record this 18th day of July, 2022.

/s/ Jamie S. Myers

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AFFIDAVIT OF HARI K. POUDEL, PhD

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss.
COUNTY OF COLE)

COMES NOW HARI K. POUDEL, PhD, and on his oath declares that he is of sound mind and lawful age; that he contributed to the foregoing *Staff Recommendation to Approve Tariffs*; and that the same is true and correct according to his best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.



HARI K. POUDEL, PhD

JURAT

Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this 18th day of July, 2022.

DIANNA L VAUGHT
Notary Public - Notary Seal
STATE OF MISSOURI
Cole County
My Commission Expires: July 18, 2023
Commission #: 15207377

Dianna L. Vaught
Notary Public

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AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL L. STAHLMAN

STATE OF MISSOURI)
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COUNTY OF COLE)

COMES NOW MICHAEL L. STAHLMAN and on his oath declares that he is of sound mind and lawful age; that he contributed to the foregoing *Staff Recommendation to Approve Tariffs*; and that the same is true and correct according to his best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.

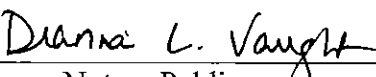


MICHAEL L. STAHLMAN

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Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this 18th day of July, 2022.

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