

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the matter of The Empire Dis- )  
trict Electric Company, Liberty )  
Utilities (Central) Co. and Liberty )  
Sub Corp. Concerning an Agreement ) EM-2016-0213  
and Plan of Merger and Certain )  
Related Transactions )

REQUEST TO BE EXCUSED  
BY MIDWEST ENERGY USERS' ASSOCIATION

COMES NOW the MIDWEST ENERGY USERS' ASSOCIATION ("MEUA"), by its counsel of record and requests to be excused from appearance at the stipulation presentation to be held on August 30, 2016. MEUA has taken no independent positions on the issues before the Commission and has allowed other parties to pursue issues of concern. Although MEUA through counsel has participated in the discussions leading up to the various stipulations, we would have no information that would be useful to the Commission to present, hence seek to be excused.

Respectfully submitted,

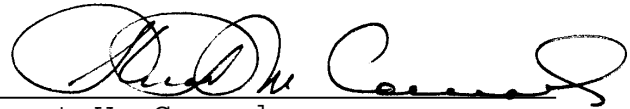


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day served the foregoing pleading by electronic means, by United States Mail, First Class postage prepaid, or by hand delivery to all known parties in interest upon their respective representatives or attorneys of record as reflected in the records maintained by the Secretary of the Commission.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stuart W. Conrad", written over a horizontal line.

Stuart W. Conrad

Dated: August 29, 2016