AFFIDAVIT OF RICHARD L. MCCORD

STATE OF MISSOURI)
COUNTY OF JASPER)
On the / \(\frac{14h}{4h} \) day of July, 2006, before me appeared Richard L. McCord, to me personally known, who, being by me first duly sworn, states that he is the Director of Supply Management of The Empire District Electric Company and acknowledges that he has read the above and foregoing document and believes that the statements therein are true and correct to the best of his information, knowledge and belief.
Richard L. McCord
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of July, 2006.
Patricia Alttle Pat Settle, Notary Public
My commission expires: Patricia A. Settle Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri County of Jasper Expires February 09, 2008