

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the matter of The Empire Dis-)
trict Electric Company of Joplin,)
Missouri for authority to file)
tariffs increasing rates for elec-) ER-2012-0345
tric service provided to customers)
in the Missouri service area of the)
Company)

CONCURRENCE BY MIDWEST ENERGY USERS' ASSOCIATION
IN STAFF REPLY BRIEF ON INTERIM ISSUES

Upon review of Empire District Electric Company's (Empire) Initial Brief, Midwest Energy Users' Association's (MEUA) Initial Brief on Interim Issues, and Commission Staff's Reply filed herein on this date, MEUA believes that the issues in this matter have been briefed adequately and that a further reply would be needlessly repetitive. Accordingly, MEUA respectfully concurs in the Reply Brief filed herein this date by Commission Staff and will not submit a separate reply.

Empire's application for interim relief should be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, CONRAD & PETERSON, L.C.

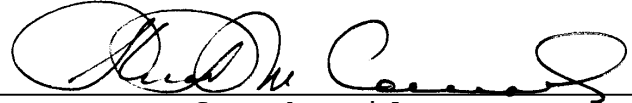


Stuart W. Conrad Mo. Bar #23966
3100 Broadway, Suite 1209
Kansas City, Missouri 64111
(816) 753-1122
Facsimile (816) 756-0373
Internet: stucon@fcplaw.com

ATTORNEYS FOR THE MIDWEST ENERGY
USERS' ASSOCIATION

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that he has provided a copy of the foregoing pleading to all attorneys of record herein as identified on the Commissions' EFIS.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David M. Cannon", written over a horizontal line.

An attorney for the Midwest Energy
Users' Association

October 1, 2012