

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

In the Matter of The Empire District Gas)
Company's Purchased Gas Adjustment) **File No. GR-2016-0099**
Tariff Filing)

ORDER SETTING DEADLINE FOR FILING

Issue Date: December 14, 2016

Effective Date: December 14, 2016

The Commission's Staff filed a recommendation on The Empire District Gas Company's ("Empire") 2014-2015 Actual Cost Adjustment ("ACA") filing. Staff reviewed Empire's gas purchasing practices to evaluate the prudence of the company's purchasing decisions for the period. Staff also performed a reliability analysis and a hedging review. Based on the review, Staff recommends certain adjustments be made to Empire's ACA balances. Staff also submitted recommendations concerning Empire's billed revenue and actual gas costs, hedging, and reliability analysis and gas supply planning.

The Commission will direct Empire to submit a response to Staff's recommendation.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Empire District Gas Company shall file a response to Staff's recommendation no later than January 30, 2017.
2. Any other entity wishing to comment on Staff's recommendation shall do so no later than January 30, 2017.

3. This order shall be effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION



Morris L. Woodruff

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Kim S. Burton, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 14th day of December, 2016.

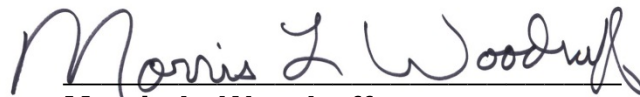
STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 14th day of December 2016.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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