

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

In the Matter of The Empire District Gas)
Company's Purchased Gas Adjustment) Case No. GR-2015-0109
Tariff Filing)

**STAFF REPLY TO THE EMPIRE DISTRICT GAS COMPANY'S
RESPONSE TO STAFF ACA RECOMMENDATION**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and respectfully replies as follows to the *Response to Staff Recommendation and Memorandum* filed herein by The Empire District Gas Company ("Empire" or "Company"):

1. Staff filed its ACA Recommendation in this case concerning Empire's 2013-2014 ACA filing on December 16, 2015. In its ACA Recommendation, Staff recommended certain adjustments to the Company's filed ACA balances and also requested the Company respond to certain concerns and recommendations which had no associated monetary adjustments.
2. Empire filed its *Response to Staff Recommendation and Memorandum* ("Response") on January 31, 2016. On February 3, 2016, the Commission issued an *Order Directing Staff to Reply* ("Order") to Empire's Response no later than February 16, 2016.
3. Staff has reviewed the Company's Response and is in agreement with the Response. Staff and Company agree on the ACA balances for the Company's three systems.

WHEREFORE Staff respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order (1) establishing Empire's ending ACA balances for 2013-2014 as shown in Table 1 on page 9 of the Staff Recommendation Memorandum filed herein on December 16, 2015, and (2) closing this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to counsel of record this 10th day of February, 2016.

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