AFFIDAVIT OF W. SCOTT KEITH

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss
COUNTY OF JASPER)

On the 27th day of July, 2006, before me appeared W. Scott Keith, to me personally known, who, being by me first duly sworn, states that he is the Director of Planning and Regulatory 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.

W. Scott Keith

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of July, 2006.

Patricia A Settle
Pat Settle, Notary Public

My commission expires: _____.

Patricia A. Settle
Notary Public - Notary Seal
State of Missouri
County of Jasper
Expires February 09, 2008