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RE: Case No. EX-99-442

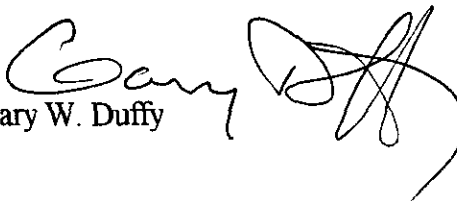
Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding please find an original and fourteen copies of a motion for issuance of protective order.

If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely yours,

Gary W. Duffy



Enclosures

cc: Office of Public Counsel

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

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In the matter of 4 CSR 240-20.015 proposed)
rule - electric utilities affiliate transactions.)

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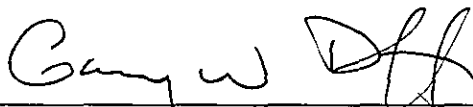
**MOTION FOR ISSUANCE OF
PROTECTIVE ORDER**

Comes now The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") and for its motion,
respectfully states as follows:

1. On June 4, 1999, Empire was served with data requests in this docket by the Office of the Public Counsel. Some of the data requests seek information which Empire considers to be highly confidential, e.g., access to confidential strategic business plans.
2. Empire is only willing to provide responses to such data requests if public disclosure of sensitive business information is protected through the issuance of a protective order, in the fashion normally utilized by the Commission, which includes a "highly confidential" classification.

WHEREFORE, Empire moves for the issuance of a standard form protective order in this proceeding with "highly confidential" provisions.

Respectfully submitted,



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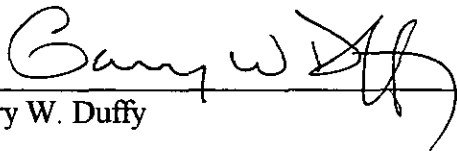
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The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was either mailed by first class mail or hand-delivered to counsel of record in this proceeding this 14th day of June, 1999.



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