BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)	
Company of Joplin, Missouri for Authority)	
to File Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric)	Case No. ER-2008-0093
Service Provided to Customers in the Missouri)	
Service Area of the Company.)	

NOTICE REGARDING EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS

Issue Date: May 13, 2008

On May 11, 2008 I received a telephone call and subsequent text message from Mr. Bill Gipson, President of the Empire District Electric Company. Mr. Gipson's call was to provide information about storm related outages.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 13th day of May, 2008.

Mark Hughes, Advisor M