BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Gas		
Company's Fuel Costs Related to the Extraordinary)	Case No.	
Weather Event of February 2021		

NOTICE OF INTENDED CASE FILING

COMES NOW The Empire District Gas Company, and for its Notice of Intended Case Filing being submitted herein pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-4.017, respectfully states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (the "Commission"):

- 1. The Empire District Gas Company ("Liberty" or "Company") is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the state of Kansas and provides natural gas utility service throughout a number of Missouri counties.
- 2. A certified copy of EDG's Certificate of Authority to do business as a foreign corporation evidencing EDG's authority to conduct business in Missouri was submitted in Case No. GO-2006-0205 and is incorporated herein by this reference. The information on such Certificate is currently applicable and correct.
- 3. Liberty is a "public utility," as defined by RSMo. §386.020 and, therefore, is subject to the general regulatory jurisdiction of the Commission as provided by law.
- 4. Liberty has no pending or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court that involve customer service or rates and that have occurred within the three years immediately preceding this filing. Liberty's Annual Reports and assessment fees are not overdue.
- 5. With regard to issues that the Commission will be asked to consider and decide in the case, Liberty intends to file an application requesting an Accounting Authority Order ("AAO") and modification of its Purchased Gas Adjustment ("PGA") / Actual Cost Adjustment ("ACA")

tariff sheets. With its application, Liberty will seek an AAO to allow the Company to assist its

customers by deferring certain costs that would otherwise be due in the near future under the

Company's current PGA/ACA tariff. An AAO and modification of the PGA/ACA tariff are

necessary due to the unusually high fuel costs and resulting financing costs incurred by Liberty on

behalf of its customers during the extraordinary weather event that occurred in February of 2021.

6. With regard to Rule 4.017(1) and the requirement that a 60-day filing notice include

"a summary of all communication regarding substantive issues likely to be in the case between the

filing party and the office of the commission that occurred in the ninety (90) days prior to filing

the notice," Liberty verifies that there have been no ex parte communications regarding substantive

issues likely to be in the intended case between Liberty and the office of the Commission within

the 90 days prior to the filing of this Notice.

7. This Notice of Intended Case Filing is being submitted as soon as possible following

the weather event, and Liberty plans to seek a partial waiver of Rule 4.017, to allow its intended

application to be filed less than 60 days after the submission of this Notice of Intended Case Filing.

WHEREFORE, Liberty submits to the Commission this Notice of Intended Case Filing

and seeks such relief as is proper under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that the above document was filed in EFIS on this 26th day of February, 2021, with notification of the same being sent to all counsel of record. This Notice was also sent by electronic transmission to the Staff of the Commission and the Office of the Public Counsel.

/s/ Diana C. Carter