

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

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| In the Matter of The Empire District          | ) |                       |
| Electric Company's Request for Authority      | ) |                       |
| to File Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric | ) | Case No. ER-2019-0374 |
| Service Provided to Customers in its          | ) |                       |
| Missouri Service Area                         | ) |                       |

**THE NATIONAL HOUSING TRUST'S  
STATEMENT OF POSITION**

COMES NOW The National Housing Trust ("NHT"), by and through the undersigned counsel, pursuant to the Commission's April 9, 2020 Order, and for its *Statement of Position* states the following:

NHT signed the *Global Stipulation and Agreement* ("the Stipulation") filed on April 15, 2020. NHT considers the terms of the Stipulation to be a reasonable resolution of issues relevant to its interests in this case and respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order approving the provisions as outlined in that document.

Contested Issues

**Issue 2.F: What should be the amount of the residential customer charge?**

NHT's position is that Empire's customer charge should remain \$13 per month, as reflected in ¶13 of the Stipulation.

**Issue 15: Energy Efficiency**

NHT's position is that Empire's energy efficiency programs should remain the same in this case, at a minimum, as reflected in ¶20 of the Stipulation. While the Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC") filed an objection to the Stipulation, it stated that it did not object to maintaining the current energy efficiency funding levels. Accordingly, the provision reflected in ¶20 of the Stipulation can be considered unanimous in this case.

WHEREFORE, Renew Missouri submits its *Statement of Position* for inclusion in the record in this case.

Respectfully Submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, emailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 2020:

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