

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

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)
Company's Application to Implement Robust and)
Mutually-Beneficial Energy Efficiency Offerings) Case No. EO-2021-_____
Under the Framework Prescribed by MEEIA)

NOTICE OF INTENDED CASE FILING

COMES NOW The Empire District Electric Company, and for its Notice of Intended Case Filing being submitted herein pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017 and regarding a possible Missouri Energy Efficiency Investment Act ("MEEIA") filing, respectfully states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (the "Commission"):

1. The Empire District Electric Company ("Liberty" or "Company") is a Kansas corporation with its principal office and place of business at 602 Joplin Street, Joplin, Missouri. Liberty is qualified to conduct business and is conducting business in Missouri, as well as in the states of Arkansas, Kansas, and Oklahoma. Liberty is engaged, generally, in the business of generating, purchasing, transmitting, distributing, and selling electricity in portions of the referenced four states. Liberty's Missouri operations are subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission as provided by law.

2. With regard to issues that the Commission will be asked to consider and decide in the case, Liberty intends to file an application pursuant to RSMo. §393.1075 and Commission Rules 22 CSR 4240-20.093 and 20.094 for authority to implement demand-side programs and establish a Demand-Side Programs Investment Mechanism ("DSIM") that will include cost recovery of demand-side program costs, recovery of a portion of the net shared benefits, lost revenues, and an incentive mechanism.

3. 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.

WHEREFORE, Liberty submits to the Commission this Notice of Intended Case Filing regarding the Company's intent to file an application to implement robust and mutually-beneficial energy efficiency offerings under the framework prescribed by MEEIA.

Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that the above document was filed in EFIS on this 3rd 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