

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

In the Matter of the Application of The)
Empire District Electric Company for a) File No. EA-2018-_____
Certificate of Convenience and Necessity)
Related to its Customer Savings Plan)

EMPIRE'S NOTICE OF INTENDED CASE FILINGS

COMES NOW The Empire District Electric Company (“Empire” or the “Company”), pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-4.017, and files this Notice of Intended Case Filings with regard to an application or applications for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity (“CCN”) that the Company intends to file in follow up to its Customer Savings Plan docket, File No. EO-2018-0092. In this regard, Empire respectfully states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (the "Commission"):

1. Empire is a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the state of Kansas and is duly qualified and engaged in doing business in the states of Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, and Oklahoma. Empire owns and operates an electric utility system located in contiguous portions of the above-mentioned four states, which is used to serve approximately 170,000 total electric customers. Empire is an “electric corporation” and a “public utility” as those terms are defined in RSMo. 386.020 and is subject to the jurisdiction and supervision of the Commission as provided by law.

2. Correspondence and other papers regarding this docket should be addressed to the undersigned counsel and the following Company employees:

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Data requests in this docket should be served on the undersigned counsel and Company employee Angela Cloven at ACloven@libertyutilities.com.

3. Empire intends to file one or more applications to seek CCNs for up to 600 MW of strategically located wind generation in or near Empire's service territory financed in part through a tax equity partnership. The proposed CCN case(s) are in follow up to File No. EO-2018-0092.

4. 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," Empire verifies that there have been no ex parte communications regarding substantive issues likely to be in the CCN case(s) between the Company and the office of the Commission within the 90 days prior to the filing of this Notice.

WHEREFORE, Empire submits to the Commission this Notice of Intended Case Filings. Empire requests such relief as is just and proper under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing document was filed in EFIS on this 13th day of July, 2018, with a copy of the same sent by electronic transmission, on said date, to the Staff of the Commission and the Office of the Public Counsel.

/s/ Diana C. Carter