BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Joint Application of The)	
Empire District Electric Company and Ozark)	
Electric Cooperative for Approval of a Change in)	Case No. EO-2006-0213
Electric Supplier for Certain Customers for Reasons)	
In the Public Interest	

RESPONSE TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND SUPPLEMENT TO JOINT APPLICATION

Comes now The Empire District Electric Company (Empire), and respectfully provides to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) the following response to the Staff Recommendation:

- 1. On December 30, 2005, the Commission Staff (Staff) filed its Recommendation in this matter. The Recommendation included a Memorandum, which set out the results of the Staff's review of the Joint Application.
- 2. The Staff Recommendation stated that the Commission should authorize the change of electric energy suppliers for good cause shown subject to one condition. The recommended condition was that a revised Appendix C to the Joint Application be filed. That revised Appendix C was to indicate the consent of Mr. Willard L. Kissee to the change of supplier for 5053 and 5075 North Highway NN.
- 3. In response to the Staff Recommendation, and as a supplement the Joint Application, attached hereto is a supplemental **Appendix C**, which Empire believes satisfies the Staff's proposed condition.
- 4. Accordingly, Empire requests that the Commission issue its order approving the Joint Application, as supplemented.

WHEREFORE, Empire respectfully requests that the Commission consider this response to the Staff Recommendation the Supplement to the Joint Application and issue such orders as the Commission believes to be reasonable and just.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was sent by electronic mail or U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on January 1/2006, to the following:

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Willard Kissee 5051 North Highway NN Ozark, MO 65721

Date:	1 - 0	7-00	6		

I, Willard E. Kissee, legal owner of the property located at 5053 N. Hwy. NN and 5075 N. Hwy. NN, Ozark, MO, by signing below do hereby agree to transfer my electric utility service from OZARK ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE to THE EMPIRE DISTRICT ELECTRIC COMPANY to facilitate the removal of an overhead electric line across development property north of the above mentioned addresses.

Willard E. Kissee