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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

| In the matter of The Empire District |) | |
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| Electric Company of Joplin, Missouri, for |) | |
| authority to file tariffs increasing |) | <u>Case No. ER-97-81</u> |
| rates for electric service provided to |) | |
| customers in the Missouri service area of |) | |
| the company. |) | |

NOTICE

The parties are advised that advice to the Commission regarding the ultimate disposition of this case will be due no later than the close of business June 30, 1997.

BY THE COMMISSION

Cecil I. Wright
Executive Secretary

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 24th day of June, 1997.

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