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

In the Matter of the Petition of The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty to Obtain a Financing Order that Authorizes the Issuance of Securitized Utility Tariff Bonds for Qualified Extraordinary Costs	) ) ) )	Case No. EO-2022-0040
In the Matter of the Petition of The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty to Obtain a Financing Order that Authorizes the Issuance of Securitized Utility Tariff Bonds for Energy Transition Costs Related to the Asbury Plant	) ) ) )	Case No. EO-2022-0193

#### **AFFIDAVIT OF BRADLEY M. SELTZER**

1. My name is Bradley M. Seltzer. Under penalty of perjury, I declare that the below is true and correct to the best of knowledge and belief.

2. I am an equity partner in the law firm of Eversheds Sutherland (U.S.) LLP. I specialize in the taxation of, and tax issues relating to, regulated public utilities, including the treatment of taxes for ratemaking purposes. Throughout my career I have provided tax advice primarily to regulated electric, gas, telephone, and water industry clients. I began my career at Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan in 1978, was later promoted to partner, joined Deloitte as a partner in 1997 and until 2016 served as Deloitte's Global and U.S. Tax Leader for Energy and Natural Resources. In 2016, I rejoined Sutherland as a partner shortly before its merger into what is now Eversheds Sutherland.

3. I have testified regarding tax, tax accounting and regulatory tax matters before state regulatory commissions in California, Missouri, Texas, Oklahoma, Arizona and before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. In addition, I have assisted company-sponsored witnesses in preparation of their testimony in proceedings before the North Carolina, Alaska, Louisiana, Indiana and Texas commissions. I am also the Former Chair of the ABA Section of Taxation, Committee on Regulated Public Utilities and then served as the Former Chair of the ABA Section of Taxation of Taxation and Industry Specialization Subcommittee. A copy of my professional biography is attached to this affidavit.

4. This affidavit is offered in support of The Empire Electric District Company's Motion for Reconsideration or Clarification and/or Application for Rehearing ("Motion") in File No. EO-2022-0193.

#### **Summary of Conclusions**

5. In this Affidavit, I explain that the Order that is the subject of the Motion adopts an erroneous calculation of the net present value of the tax benefit of the Company's accumulated deferred income taxes ("ADIT") and thereby erroneously reduces the amount of securitized proceeds. The Order effectively and impermissibly converts a portion of the ADIT balance from a temporary timing difference into a permanent difference. The net effect of this error is to give back to customers money the Company still owes in taxes—that is, it deprives the Company of the designated source of revenue for paying the taxes that will be owed as customers pay principal on the bonds. The Order will discourage beneficial securitization transactions by requiring the utility to bear tax costs that it would otherwise recover in conventional ratemaking.

6. In support of the conclusions summarized above, this Affidavit specifically addresses the following issues: (a) how ADIT properly arise and reverse; (b) the impact of the proposed securitization transaction on ADIT; and (c) the proper calculation of the net present value of the tax benefits of ADIT under RSMo. §393.1700 that serves to reduce the amount of the securitization proceeds.

#### Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes

7. ADIT arise primarily from timing differences attributable to the use of a different method of computing depreciation expense as an element of cost of service (typically straight-line) than the depreciation method used in computing taxable income (typically accelerated depreciation). The taxes deferred by reason of accelerated depreciation are temporary in nature and will become due as the tax timing differences reverse, namely when depreciation expense for ratemaking purposes exceeds the deduction for depreciation on the income tax return. The deferred taxes, computed at the statutory tax rate, represent an interest-free loan from the federal government that is repaid over time as tax depreciation exceeds ratemaking depreciation. In other words, an ADIT balance represents money the Company has collected from customers as a source of funds to pay future taxes.

8. Under traditional cost of service ratemaking, and consistent with the Federal income tax rules for normalizing accelerated depreciation deductions, until the interest-free loan is fully repaid, the tax benefit of the deferred income tax liability represented by the ADIT balance is provided to customers by reducing the revenue requirement by an amount equal to the ADIT balance multiplied by the utility's authorized rate of return, in the Company's case, 6.77%.

9. In the instant securitization situation, the tax benefit of the ADIT balance is amortized over the 13-year life of the bonds as the customers pay principal on the bonds (which is taxable to the Company) and the taxes become due. In other words, the ADIT balance serves as the Company's source of funds for the payment of taxes. If, as here, the amount of the net present value of the tax benefits of the ADIT balance is overstated, the reduction of the securitized amount will also be overstated, leaving a shortfall in the Company's source of funds to pay taxes on the taxable receipts from customers. Stated differently, any such shortfall essentially represents the impermissible conversion of what is intended to be a temporary timing difference into a permanent difference that will never be recovered from customers.

#### **Securitization**

10. When the cost of assets is securitized, the principal amount is recovered from customers over the life of the bonds. This is analogous to recovering the asset balance over a depreciation or amortization period in conventional ratemaking. Securitization does not change the Company's obligation to pay taxes or the Company's need to access the ADIT balance as a source of funds to pay such taxes.

11. Without securitization, under traditional cost of service ratemaking, the ADIT balance would have reversed over the period the remaining investment balance is recovered in rates, as the depreciation timing differences reversed. While the time period may be different, the securitization transaction effectively should achieve the same result by spreading the reversal of ADIT on a straight-line basis over the 13-year life of the bonds. As the revenue is received from customers for the amortization of the principal amount of the bonds, it generates taxable income to the Company.<sup>1</sup> The ADIT balance serves as the Company's source of funds for the payment of taxes due as revenue is received for securitized bond payments. That amount of tax owed over the life of the bond on a nominal basis is equal to the amount of the ADIT balance. The ADIT balance will reduce to zero over the life of the bonds as the bond amortization creates periodic tax liabilities.

12. Just as in traditional ratemaking, if the ADIT balance is inadequate to meet the future tax liability that will be incurred as customers pay the cost of the Asbury plant (whether securitized or not), the Company will have insufficient revenue to cover those tax costs. For that reason, the tax

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> IRS Revenue Procedure 2005-62.

benefit of the ADIT balance is not the balance itself, but just the avoided financing cost of the balance, which is the balance multiplied by the applicable financing cost.<sup>2</sup>

#### **Calculation of the Proper Reduction of the Bond Proceeds**

13. The required calculation methodology of the amount of the reduction of the bond proceeds by reason of the tax benefit of the ADIT balance is set forth in the Missouri Securitization statute as follows:

The accumulated deferred income taxes, including excess deferred income taxes, shall be excluded from rate base in future general rate cases and the net tax benefits relating to amounts that will be recovered through the issuance of securitized utility tariff bonds shall be credited to retail customers by reducing the amount of such securitized utility tariff bonds that would otherwise be issued.

RSMo. § 393.1700.2(3)(c)(m).

14. As the Missouri securitization statute further specifies, the net present value of the tax benefits of ADIT is to be deducted from the issuance amount of the bonds. Thus, the critical calculation set forth in the statute is of the net tax benefit that is to reduce the issuance amount of the bonds:

The customer credit shall include the net present value of the tax benefits, calculated using a discount rate equal to the expected interest rate of the securitized utility tariff bonds, for the estimated accumulated and excess deferred income taxes at the time of securitization including timing differences created by the issuance of securitized utility tariff bonds amortized over the period of the bonds multiplied by the expected interest rate on such securitized utility tariff bonds.

RSMo. §393.1700.2(3)(c)(m).

15. In RSMo. \$393.1700.2(3)(c)(m), the securitization statute envisions a 3-step process for determining the net tax benefit that will reduce the amount of the securitized proceeds. First, it substitutes the bond interest rate for the authorized rate of return in computing the discount rate, *i.e.*, the ADIT balance is multiplied by the bond rate (2.47%) rather than the authorized rate of return (6.77%). Second, the amortization period substitutes the life of the bonds for the period of time over which the remaining balance of the retired assets would be recovered in conventional ratemaking. Third, the net present value of the ADIT benefits is computed using the interest rate

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The accelerated recovery of ADIT and the conversion of a portion of the ADIT from a temporary timing benefit to a permanent benefit would also, if uncorrected, bring into play the normalization provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. Those provisions, if violated, subject the Company to the loss of accelerated depreciation on all of its public utility property subject to MoPSC jurisdiction. *See* I.R.C. § 168(i)(9) and Treas. Reg. § 1.167(l)-1(h)(2). The loss of the right to claim accelerated depreciation on the Company's remaining Missouri public utility property would be extremely detrimental to customers.

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on the securitized bonds.

16. When these three steps are applied in the instant case, the ADIT balance amortizes at an annual rate equal to the balance multiplied by the bond interest rate for each of the thirteen years the bonds are outstanding. Then, to arrive at the present value of the tax benefit of the ADIT balance over the thirteen annual revenue requirements, the future values of the annual impacts of ADIT on the revenue requirements are discounted back at the bond interest rate to the date of securitization.

17. Contrary to the conclusion of the Order, **this calculation does not discount the ADIT balance twice by the bond interest rate**. Multiplying the ADIT balance by the bond interest rate to determine the annual tax benefit of the ADIT is not equivalent to discounting that balance to present value. Rather, multiplying the ADIT balance by the bond interest rate calculates the benefit to customers. For each year the bonds are outstanding, the benefit equates to the amount of avoided financing costs funded by the outstanding ADIT balance. That amount is recalculated each year based on the declining ADIT balance. In steps 1 and 2, the bond interest rate is used only to calculate the financing cost benefit, *i.e.*, the tax benefit. In the third step, the statute requires the use of the bond interest rate again, but for a different purpose: to discount the tax benefit derived from ADIT over the term of the bonds to present value. **Step 3 is the first and only time discounting takes place.** Using the same interest rate for two different purposes does not constitute discounting twice.

18. Witness Bolin's testimony, on which the Order relies, erroneously calculates the present value of the full ADIT balance for purposes of the reduction to the authorized securitization proceeds. But, as noted above, the statute expressly states that the reduction is not in the amount of the ADIT, but rather is in the amount of the tax benefit of the ADIT. Thus, the overstatement of the reduction prevents the Company from securitizing the full amount of the approved transition costs. Effectively, the Company will be returning to customers the amounts that they have previously paid for the Company's taxes, even though the Company will continue to owe those taxes in the future.

Under penalty of perjury, on this 29 day of September, 2022, I declare that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.



District of Columbia Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me 22 by BRADLE of Notaria Officer PUBLIC DTAR My commission expires: MARCH 14, 2027

Jennifer M. McEachern Notary Public, District of Columbia My Commission Expires March 14, 2027

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#### Education

J.D., with high honors, George Washington University Law School

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#### **Bar Admissions**

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## Background

Brad Seltzer brings more than 40 years of experience representing Fortune 100 utility, energy and telecom clients in complex tax matters, including tax planning, accounting and controversy. He defends clients in large tax disputes with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) at both the trial and appellate court levels, and prepares private letter rulings, technical advice requests and accounting method changes for the IRS National Office.

Brad has extensive experience testifying at public hearings on behalf of clients regarding proposed regulations that affect the utility industry, such as interest synchronization, consolidated tax adjustments, the normalization consequences of dispositions or deregulation and nuclear decommissioning issues. He also counsels on tax saving strategies and manages complex tax refund claims, audits, appeals and litigation. Brad also serves as an expert witness in ratemaking proceedings and assists client witnesses in preparing their testimony in such rate cases.

Brad is a frequent speaker on utility and telecom tax topics at various industry conferences and before various trade associations and professional organizations, including the American Bar Association Section of Taxation, the Edison Electric Institute, the American Gas Association, the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners and the IRS.

Brad returns to Eversheds Sutherland (US) after nearly a 20-year stint with Deloitte Tax, where he most recently served as Global and U.S. Tax Leader of its Energy Resources and Carbon Markets groups.

## Awards

 Recognized by *The Legal 500 United States* in the area of international tax (2017), US taxes: contentious (2017) and US taxes: non-contentious (2022)

## **Professional Activities**

 Former Chair, Section of Taxation, Section of Public Utility, American Bar Association

- Former Chair, Section of Taxation, Normalization and Industry Specialization Subcommittees, American Bar Association
- Former Member, Taxation Section, Steering Committee and Tax Policy Committee, District of Columbia Bar

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- Balancing Tax Planning, Advocacy, and Professional Ethics: The Rules That Every Tax Advisor Should Know(December 6, 2019) Tax Strategies for Corporate Acquisitions, Dispositions, Spin-Offs, Joint Ventures, Financings, Reorganizations & Restructurings 2019
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   Tax Strategies for Corporate Acquisitions, Dispositions, Spin-Offs, Joint Ventures, Financings, Reorganizations & Restructurings 2019
- Economic Substance, Judicial Doctrines and Legal Ethics(May 16, 2019)
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## **Court Admissions**

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- U.S. Court of Federal Claims
- U.S. Supreme Court