BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)	
Company of Joplin, Missouri for Authority)	
To File Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric)	Case No. ER-2008-0093
Service Provided to Customers in the Missouri	Ć	
Service Area of the Company.)	

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

COMES NOW The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire"), by counsel, and hereby withdraws its Motion for Protective Order in the above-captioned matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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