

**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)	Case No. EO-2006-0213
Of a Change in Electric Supplier for Certain)	
Customers for Reasons in the Public Interest.)	

EMPIRE’S REPSONSE TO ORDER DIRECTING FILINGS

COMES NOW The Empire District Electric Company (Empire) and responds as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission’s (Commission) Order Directing Filings, dated November 22, 2005:

1. On November 22, 2005, the Commission issued its Order Directing Filings, wherein it directed the Applicants to provide clarification concerning certain issues.
2. Empire provides the following verified clarifications to those issues and asks that the Commission consider this verified response to be a supplement to the Joint Application:

The application indicates that Mr. Kissee is the customer receiving service at 5053 and 5075 North Highway NN, Ozark, Missouri. Appendix B, however, indicates that Mr. Kissee also owns lot 5051. The applicants should clarify if Mr. Kissee also owns lot 5051.

Response: Mr. Kissee owns lot 5051, as represented by Appendix B to the Joint Application. Empire currently provides service to lot 5051. Thus, no change of supplier is requested for that lot.

In addition, the applicants shall clarify who owns the property, to the east of lot 5053, where the proposed Empire 7.2 kV line will cross from lot 5051 to lot 5055.

Response: The Missouri Department of Transportation “owns” the property to the east (also known as Highway NN). The west side of lot 5053 is where the new 7.2kv overhead power line is to be installed as indicated by Appendix B to

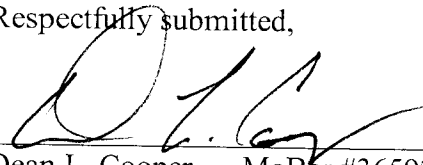
the Joint Application. Mr. Kissee owns the property on both sides of the proposed power line.

Finally, the Applicants should provide information about whether an easement for the overhead line has been granted by the owner of that property.

Response: There is an agreement in principle with Mr. Kissee for an easement for the new 7.2kv power line that will be located on his property. The parties intend to reduce this agreement to writing, if this change of supplier application is approved.

WHEREFORE, Empire respectfully requests that the Commission consider this response to be a supplement to the Joint Application and to satisfy the Order Directing Filings.

Respectfully submitted,



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Certificate of Service

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Joint Application was served by electronic mail or U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, this 2nd day of December, 2005 upon the following:

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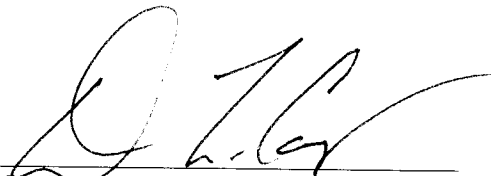
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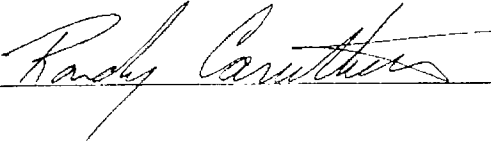


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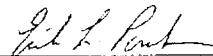
I, Randy Caruthers, state that I am employed by The Empire District Electric Company (Empire) as Director of Commercial Operations; that I have read the above and foregoing document; that the statements contained therein are true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge and belief; and, that I am authorized to make this statement on behalf of Empire.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd th day of DECEMBER, 2005.



ERIK L. PONDER
Christian County
My Commission Expires
January 28, 2008


_____, Notary Public