

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

In the Matter of the Empire District Electric)
Company for Authority to File Tariffs)
Increasing Rates for Electric Service) Case No. ER-2014-0351
Provided to Customers in the Company's)
Missouri Service Area)

BRIEF OF CITY OF JOPLIN

COMES NOW the City of Joplin, by and through counsel, and with respect to the above-captioned matter states as follows:

The City of Joplin supports the Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement and the Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement which has been filed in the above-captioned matter. The City of Joplin urges this Commission to find that the Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement is a just and reasonable resolution to the issues contained therein. The City of Joplin also urges the Commission to find that the Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement is a just and reasonable resolution to the issues contained therein.

WHEREFORE, the City of Joplin urges this Commission enter its Order and Report finding that the Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement and the Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement are just and reasonable resolutions to all the issues in the above-captioned case.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was sent by email this 15th day of May, 2015, to the parties of record as set out on the official Service List maintained by the Data Center of the Missouri Public Service Commission for this case.

/s/ Marc H. Ellinger_____