

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
September 11, 2001**

CASE NO: ER-2001-299

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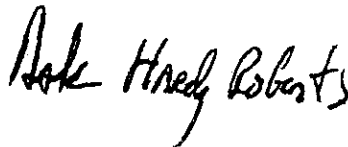
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Enclosed find certified copy of a ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,



**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

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

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company's Tariff)	
Sheets Designed to Implement a General Rate Increase for)	Case No. ER-2001-299
Retail Electric Service Provided to Customers in the Missouri)	Tariff No. 200100518
Service Area of the Company.)	

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

On January 4, 2001, the Commission issued an order setting test year and adopting procedural schedule. Among other things, this order directed all parties to file proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law no later than August 3, 2001. The Staff of the Commission, Empire District Electric Company, and the Office of the Public Counsel filed proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law on that date.

The Commission held a true-up hearing on August 23-24, 2001. The Commission would be aided in its determination of this case if the parties would voluntarily file supplemental proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law that take into account the true-up issues. The proposed findings of fact shall include specific citations to competent and substantial supporting evidence in the record. Each proposed conclusion of law shall include citations of authority.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That each party is requested, but not ordered, to file, as soon as practicable, supplemental proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law that incorporate the issues addressed in the true-up hearing. The proposed findings of fact shall include specific

citations to competent and substantial supporting evidence in the record. Each proposed conclusion of law shall include citations of authority.

2. That this order shall become effective on September 11, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION



**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

(S E A L)

Vicky Ruth, Senior Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 11th day of September, 2001.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and
I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,
Missouri, this 11th day of Sept. 2001.



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dale Hardy Roberts".

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge