

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

In the Matter of The Empire District Gas)
Company’s Request to File Tariffs to) File No. GR-2021-0320
Change its Rates for Natural Gas Service)

RESPONSE TO COMMISSION ORDER

COMES NOW The Empire District Gas Company d/b/a Liberty, and in response to ordered paragraph four of the *Report and Order* issued by the Commission on June 23, 2022, Liberty respectfully states as follows:

1. Ordered paragraph four of the Commission’s *Report and Order* provides: “Liberty shall file the information required by Section 393.275.1, RSMo 2000, and Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-10.060 no later than June 29, 2022.”

2. RSMo. §393.275.1 requires the Commission to “notify the governing body of each city or county imposing a business license tax . . . on gross receipts of any gas corporation, electric corporation, water corporation or sewer corporation of any tariff increases authorized for such firm doing business in that city or county if the approved increase exceeds seven percent.”

3. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-10.060 requires a utility to provide certain information to the Commission when a utility “files a tariff which includes an increase in annual revenues in excess of seven percent (7%) in the whole or within any part of that company’s service territory.”

4. Liberty hereby responds to ordered paragraph four of the Commission’s *Report and Order* and provides that the approved increase does not exceed seven percent so no information pursuant to RSMo. §393.275.1 and Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-10.060 is being provided at this time.

WHEREFORE, Liberty respectfully submits this Response to Commission Order and requests such relief as is just and proper under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing document was filed with the Commission's electronic filing system and sent by electronic mail to all counsel of record on this 29th day of June, 2022.

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