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)	Case No. ER-97-81
Rates for Electric Service Provided to)	
Customers in the Missouri Service Area of)	
the Company.)	

ORDER APPROVING TARIFFS IN COMPLIANCE WITH A COMMISSION ORDER

On September 11, 1997, the Commission issued an order approving a second amendment to the Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement in this case. As a part of that order, the Commission advised The Empire District Electric Company (EDE) that it should file tariffs in accordance with that order no later than 10 days from the date of issuance.

On September 15, 1997, EDE filed tariffs purported to be in compliance with the Commission's order of September 11, 1997, and with the second amended Stipulation and Agreement. On September 17, 1997, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed its recommendation. The Staff states that it has reviewed the tariff filing and is of the opinion that the filing is in compliance with the Commission's order of September 11, 1997. The Staff recommends that the tariffs be approved for service on or after September 19, 1997.

The Commission has reviewed the tariff filing of September 15, 1997 and found it to be reasonable. The Commission will approve the tariffs filed September 15, 1997 by EDE for service on or after September 19, 1997.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the following tariffs, filed September 15, 1997, by The Empire District Electric Company, are hereby approved for service on or after September 19, 1997:

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Sec. 2, 8th Revised Sheet No. 1
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- 2. That this docket is closed.
- 3. That this order shall become effective on September 19, 1997.

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Cecil I. Wright Executive Secretary

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 18th day of September, 1997.

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