

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

In the Matter of the Application of Kansas City)	
Power & Light Company for Approval to Make)	Case No. ER-2006-0314
Certain Changes in its Charges for Electric)	Tariff No. YE-2006-0594
Service to Begin the Implementation of Its)	
Regulatory Plan)	

APPLICATION TO INTERVENE

COMES NOW The Empire District Electric Company (Empire), and, pursuant to Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075 and the Commission’s Order and Notice, states as follows:

1. Empire is a Kansas corporation with its principal office and place of business at 602 Joplin Street (P.O. Box 127), Joplin, Missouri 64801 (64802). Empire is engaged in the business of providing electric and water utility services in Missouri to customers in its service areas and has a certificate of service authority to provide certain telecommunications services.

2. Empire is an “electrical corporation,” a “water corporation,” a “telecommunications company” and a “public utility” as those terms are defined in Section 386.020 RSMo 2000, and is subject to the jurisdiction and supervision of the Commission as provided by law.

3. Empire has pending or final judgments or decisions against it from state or federal regulatory agencies or courts which involve customer service occurring within the three (3) years immediately preceding the filing of this application. Empire has a general rate case pending before the Commission in Case No. ER-2006-0315. Empire has no overdue Commission annual reports or assessment fees.

4. Empire’s documents of incorporation were filed with the Commission in Case No. EF-94-39 and said documents are incorporated herein by reference in accordance with 4 CSR

240-2.060(1)(G). A Certificate of Authority from the Missouri Secretary of State to the effect that Empire, a foreign corporation, is authorized to do business in the State of Missouri, was filed with the Commission in Case No. EM-2000-369 and is also incorporated by reference.

5. Pleadings, notices, orders and other correspondence and communications concerning this application should be addressed to the undersigned counsel and:

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6. On February 1, 2006, Kansas City Power & Light Company submitted to the Commission proposed tariff sheets intended to implement a general rate increase for electrical service provided in its Missouri service area. The proposed tariff sheets bear a requested effective date of January 1, 2007. The Commission issued an Order and Notice on February 3, 2006, wherein, among other things, the Commission ordered that any interested party wishing to intervene do so no later than February 23, 2006.

7. Empire was a signatory to the Stipulation and Agreement concerning KCPL's regulatory plan that was approved by the Commission in Case No. EO-2005-0329. That Stipulation and Agreement stated in regard to KCPL's anticipated 2006 rate case that "each of the Signatory Parties shall be considered as having sought intervener status in the 2006 Rate Filing without the necessity of filing an application to intervene and KCPL consents in advance to such interventions."

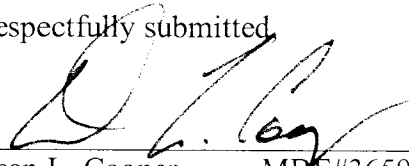
8. Empire is currently a co-owner of the Iatan Unit No. 1 power plant with Aquila and Kansas City Power and Light Company (KCPL) and has signed a letter of intent to be a co-

owner of the proposed Iatan Unit 2. Empire is unsure what position it may take as to the issues that may be raised in this matter.

9. For the reasons stated above, Empire has an interest which is different from that of the general public. Additionally, Empire's status as a public utility and its direct and indirect interests in the subjects of this case indicate that its intervention would serve the public interest.

WHEREFORE, Empire prays that the Commission issue its order granting it permission to intervene in the above-entitled matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

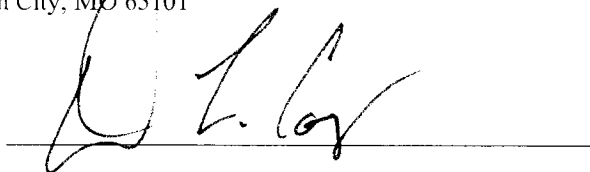
The undersigned certifies that a copy of the foregoing was, on this 16th day of February, 2006, sent via electronic mail or hand delivered, to the following:

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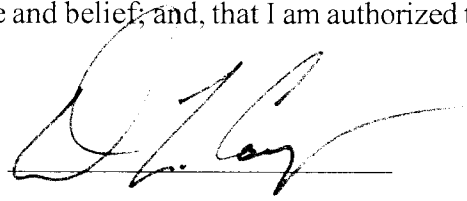


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VERIFICATION

STATE OF Missouri)
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COUNTY OF Cole) ss

I, Dean L. Cooper, of lawful age, state: that I am an attorney for The Empire District Electric Company; 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 16th day of February, 2006.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 7/31/07.

