BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company's submission of Its Interim Report Regarding Participation in the Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

Case No. EO-2012-0269

DOGWOOD ENERGY, LLC'S APPLICATION TO INTERVENE

COMES NOW Dogwood Energy, LLC ("Dogwood") and respectfully submits its Application to Intervene in this proceeding pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.075. In support of its Application, Dogwood states as follows:

1. Dogwood is a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and authorized to conduct business in the State of Missouri. Dogwood owns the 650 MW combined cycle generating facility located in Pleasant Hill, Missouri, which is within the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (SPP) as is The Empire District Electric Company.

2. All communications and pleadings in this case should be directed to:

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3. On February 3, 2012, The Empire District Electric Company filed its Interim Report Regarding Participation In the Southwest Power Pool with the Missouri Public Service Commission. The Company has requested that the Commission grant an order approving the continued participation of Empire in SPP beyond January 31, 2014. 4. Dogwood seeks to intervene in this proceeding because the Commission's decision could affect Dogwood's interests as a provider of wholesale electric power in the region. Dogwood believes Empire's continued participation will be in the public interest and, therefore, Dogwood supports Empire's application.

5. Granting Dogwood's Application to Intervene will also be in the public interest because Dogwood will bring to this preceding its expertise in the areas being investigated and its experience as a wholesale electric power provider.

WHEREFORE, Dogwood respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Application to Intervene together with any further and/or additional relief the Commission deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

A true and correct copy of the foregoing was emailed, faxed or mailed by U.S. Mail, postage paid, this 1st day of May, 2012, to the persons shown on the attached list.

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