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Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
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RE: Case No. ER-2001-299

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of a **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosure
cc: Counsel of Record

**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)
Service Area of the Company.)

Staff Recommendation

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") and
for its Recommendation states:

1. In the attached Memorandum, which is labeled Appendix A, the
Staff recommends that the Missouri Public Service Commission issue an Order
approving the following proposed tariff sheets, as filed on September 26, 2001, to
become effective on October 2, 2001:

P.S.C. Mo. No. 5, Section A

15 th Revised Sheet No. 1	Cancelling 14 th Revised Sheet No. 1
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P.S.C. Mo. No. 5, Section 1

10 th Revised Sheet No. 1	Cancelling 9 th Revised Sheet No. 1
8 th Revised Sheet No. 2	Cancelling 7 th Revised Sheet No. 2

P.S.C. Mo. No. 5, Section 2

9 th Revised Sheet No. 1	Cancelling 8 th Revised Sheet No. 1
Original Sheet No. 1a	
9 th Revised Sheet No. 2	Cancelling 8 th Revised Sheet No. 2
Original Sheet No. 2a	
9 th Revised Sheet No. 3	Cancelling 8 th Revised Sheet No. 3
6 th Revised Sheet No. 3a	Cancelling 5 th Revised Sheet No. 3a
10 th Revised Sheet No. 4	Cancelling 9 th Revised Sheet No. 4
7 th Revised Sheet No. 4a	Cancelling 6 th Revised Sheet No. 4a
9 th Revised Sheet No. 5	Cancelling 8 th Revised Sheet No. 5
9 th Revised Sheet No. 6	Cancelling 8 th Revised Sheet No. 6
9 th Revised Sheet No. 7	Cancelling 8 th Revised Sheet No. 7

4 th	Revised Sheet No. 7a	Cancelling	3 rd	Revised Sheet No. 7a	
5 th	Revised Sheet No. 9	Cancelling	4 th	Revised Sheet No. 9	
4 th	Revised Sheet No. 9b	Cancelling	3 rd	Revised Sheet No. 9b	
4 th	Revised Sheet No. 10	Cancelling	3 rd	Revised Sheet No. 10	
4 th	Revised Sheet No. 10a	Cancelling	3 rd	Revised Sheet No. 10a	
4 th	Revised Sheet No. 13	Cancelling	3 rd	Revised Sheet No. 13	
3 rd	Revised Sheet No. 14	Cancelling	2 nd	Revised Sheet No. 14	
3 rd	Revised Sheet No. 14a	Cancelling	2 nd	Revised Sheet No. 14a	
3 rd	Revised Sheet No. 14b	Cancelling	2 nd	Revised Sheet No. 14b	
3 rd	Revised Sheet No. 14c	Cancelling	2 nd	Revised Sheet No. 14c	
3 rd	Revised Sheet No. 14d	Cancelling	2 nd	Revised Sheet No. 14d	
3 rd	Revised Sheet No. 14e	Cancelling	2 nd	Revised Sheet No. 14e	

P.S.C. Mo. No. 5, Section 3

10 th	Revised Sheet No. 1	Cancelling	9 th	Revised Sheet No. 1	
5 th	Revised Sheet No. 1a	Cancelling	4 th	Revised Sheet No. 1a	
14 th	Revised Sheet No. 2	Cancelling	13 th	Revised Sheet No. 2	
7 th	Revised Sheet No. 2a	Cancelling	6 th	Revised Sheet No. 2a	
9 th	Revised Sheet No. 3	Cancelling	8 th	Revised Sheet No. 3	
	Original Sheet No. 3a				
9 th	Revised Sheet No. 4	Cancelling	8 th	Revised Sheet No. 4	
1 st	Revised Sheet No. 5	Cancelling		Original Sheet No. 5	

P.S.C. Mo. No. 5, Section 4

7 th	Revised Sheet No. 2	Cancelling	6 th	Revised Sheet No. 2	
4 th	Revised Sheet No. 4a	Cancelling	3 rd	Revised Sheet No. 4a	
2 nd	Revised Sheet No. 15	Cancelling	1 st	Revised Sheet No. 15	
3 rd	Revised Sheet No. 16	Cancelling	2 nd	Revised Sheet No. 16	
3 rd	Revised Sheet No. 17	Cancelling	2 nd	Revised Sheet No. 17	

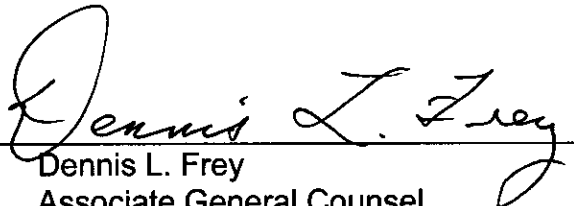
2. The Energy Department Staff has reviewed the filed tariff sheets, and is of the opinion that they were filed in a timely matter and are in compliance with the September 20, 2001 Report and Order issued by the Commission in Case No. ER-2001-299.

3. The Staff believes that the October 2, 2001 operation-of-law date in this case is good cause for the Commission to order the tariff sheets to become effective on that date.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order approving the tariff sheets as filed by The Empire District Electric Company on September 26, 2001, Tariff File No. 200200234, to become effective on October 2, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this ~~xx~~²⁷th day of September 2001.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File
Case Nos. ER-2001-299, File No. 200200234,
The Empire District Electric Company

FROM: James Watkins, Regulatory Economist III, Project Coordinator
Janice Pyatte, Regulatory Economist III
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James Watkins 09/27/01 *Steven Doty* 9/27/01
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SUBJECT: Staff Recommendation For **Approval** Of Tariff Sheets Filed To Comply With
The Commission's REPORT AND ORDER Issued September 20, 2001

DATE: September 27, 2001

On September 26, 2001, The Empire District Electric Company (EDE) filed with the Commission thirty nine (39) tariff sheets with a proposed effective date of October 2, 2001 intended to comply with the Commission's September 20, 2001 REPORT AND ORDER (Order). EDE also filed a Motion For Expedited Treatment And Approval Of Tariff Sheets.

In its Order the Commission authorized EDE to file proposed tariff sheets to increase its revenues by approximately \$17.1 million and approved the Unanimous Stipulation And Agreement Regarding Fuel And Purchased Power Expense And Rate Design filed June 4, 2001.

The Staff has been able to expedite its review of the filed tariff sheets because EDE has provided advanced drafts of the filing and has worked with the Staff on language to implement the Interim Energy Charge (IEC).

The Staff believes that the October 2, 2001 operation-of-law date in this case is good cause for the Commission to order the tariff sheets to become effective on that date.

The Missouri Public Service Commission Energy Department Staff (Staff) has reviewed the filed tariff sheets and is of the opinion that they were filed in a timely manner and are in compliance with the Commission's Report and Order. Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects or is affected by this filing. Staff therefore recommends that the Commission issue an order approving the following proposed tariff sheets, as filed on September 26, 2001, to become effective on October 2, 2001:

P.S.C. Mo. No. 5, Section A

15th Revised Sheet No. 1 Cancelling 14th Revised Sheet No. 1

P.S.C. Mo. No. 5, Section 1

10th Revised Sheet No. 1 Cancelling 9th Revised Sheet No. 1

8th Revised Sheet No. 2 Cancelling 7th Revised Sheet No. 2

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3 rd Revised Sheet No. 14d	Cancelling	2 nd Revised Sheet No. 14d
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P.S.C. Mo. No. 5, Section 4

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3 rd Revised Sheet No. 16	Cancelling	2 nd Revised Sheet No. 16
3 rd Revised Sheet No. 17	Cancelling	2 nd Revised Sheet No. 17

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