Period, plus a true-up of the costs recovered during the Recovery Period ending
 November 30, 2018. This recovery via FAC rates will be reflected on the Missouri
 customers' bills over the six-month Recovery Period running from June 2019
 through November 2019.

5 Q. HOW HAVE LIBERTY-EMPIRE'S AVERAGE ENERGY COSTS 6 CHANGED OVER THE COST INCLUDED IN BASE RATES DURING 7 THE ACCUMULATION PERIOD?

Liberty-Empire's average energy costs per kWh have increased above the level 8 A. 9 built into its base electric rates, which is why the FAC rate schedules filed by the 10 Company seek an increase in the rates charged to the Missouri customers. More 11 specifically, Liberty-Empire's Missouri base rates included an average cost of 12 energy per kWh of net system production of \$0.02415 during the Accumulation Period of September 2018 through February 2019. Liberty-Empire actually 13 incurred average energy costs of \$0.02715 per kWh during the Accumulation 14 Period, which is \$0.00300 per kWh or about 12.4 percent higher than the average 15 16 cost built into base rates. Pursuant to Liberty-Empire's FAC tariff, Liberty-Empire is requesting a charge to its Missouri customers the net of 95 percent of this cost 17 increase plus approximately \$844,601 of under-recovered energy cost and \$31,323 18 19 of interest income from the Recovery Period ending November 30, 2018, or an average of \$.00330 per kWh sold during the upcoming Recovery Period. 20

Q. HOW DOES THIS FAC CHANGE EFFECT THE MONTHLY BILL FOR A TYPICAL RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER?

A. For Missouri residential customers using 1,000 kWh per month, the electric bill

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STATE OF MISSOURI) SS COUNTY OF JASPER)

On the 12 day of April 2019, before me appeared Leslie L. Forest, to me personally known, who, being by me first duly sworn, states that she is a Regulatory Analyst of The Empire District Electric Company - Liberty Utilities Central and acknowledges that she has read the above and foregoing document and believes that the statements therein are true and correct to the best of her information, knowledge and belief.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of April 2019.

ANGELA M. CLOVEN Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for Jasper County My Commission Expires: November 01, 2019 Commission Number: 15262659 Notary Public

My commission expires: