

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

Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission,	)	
	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	
v.	)	<b><u>File No. EC-2009-0288</u></b>
	)	
The Empire District Electric Company,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO APPEAR AMICUS CURIAE**

Issue Date April 15, 2009

Effective Date: April 15, 2009

The Missouri Energy Development Association (MEDA)<sup>1</sup> filed a motion for leave to file an amicus curiae brief. The Commission requires<sup>2</sup> those seeking to file briefs as amicus curiae to state its interest, why the brief is desirable and how the matters in the brief are relevant. MEDA consists of a number of regulated entities. It asserts that a determination in this matter will establish a regulatory precedent with respect to all regulated entities in the state and that it should be allowed to express its views.

MEDA further points out that because the parties have filed cross motions for summary action on the part of the Commission, it is justified in filing its brief at this stage of the proceedings. Finally, MEDA asserts that the matters addressed in its brief will assist the Commission in reaching a well-informed decision about the legal issue presented.

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<sup>1</sup> MEDA consists of: Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE; Kansas City Power & Light Company; The Empire District Electric Company; Empire District Gas Company; Laclede Gas Company; Missouri Gas Energy; Atmos Energy Corporation; and, Missouri American Water Company.

<sup>2</sup> Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.075 (6).

The Commission finds that MEDA is in compliance with the Commission's rule. No party opposes MEDA's motion. The Commission will therefore grant the motion and consider MEDA's brief.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Missouri Energy Development Association's motion for leave to file its amicus curiae brief is granted.
2. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

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Kennard L. Jones, Senior Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 15th day of April, 2009.