

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

In the Matter of Missouri-American Water Company's)
Request for Authority to Implement A General Rate) File No. WR-2011-0337, et al.
Increase for Water and Sewer Service Provided in)
Missouri Service Areas)

**ORDER GRANTING THE EMPIRE DISTRICT ELECTRIC COMPANY'S
REQUEST TO BE EXCUSED**

Issue Date: November 22, 2011

Effective Date: November 22, 2011

On November 18, 2011, The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") requested to be excused from the November 29, 2011 Discovery Conference and the December 2, 2011 Prehearing Conference on Revenue Requirement. Empire states that it has no discovery disputes and has nothing to add to the existing testimony on revenue requirement. The Commission finds Empire's request to be reasonable and will grant it.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Empire District Electric Company's request to be excused from the November 29, 2011 Discovery Conference and the December 2, 2011 Prehearing Conference on Revenue Requirement is granted.

2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

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Harold Stearley, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 22nd day of November, 2011.