

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017.

In the Matter of the True Up of	)	
The Empire District Electric Company's	)	File No. EO-2017-0255
Fuel Adjustment Clause (FAC)	)	
	)	Tracking No. JE-2017-0191
In the Matter of	)	
The Empire District Electric Company	)	
for Authority to Implement Rate Adjustments Related to the	)	File No. ER-2017-0254
Company's Fuel and Purchase Power Adjustment (FAC)	)	
Required in 4 CSR 240-20.090(4)	)	

**ORDER APPROVING FUEL ADJUSTMENT TRUE-UP AND APPROVING  
TARIFF TO CHANGE FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE RATES**

Issue Date: May 17, 2017

Effective Date: June 1, 2017

In each of these files, The Empire District Electric Company (“the company”) filed a tariff<sup>1</sup> (“tariff”) and supporting testimony,<sup>2</sup> Staff filed a favorable recommendation,<sup>3</sup> and the Office of the Public Counsel filed a response offering no opposition.<sup>4</sup>

In File No. EO-2017-0255, the company seeks the Commission’s approval of true-up amounts related to the company’s fuel adjustment clause (“FAC”).<sup>5</sup> Specifically, the amounts relate to the company’s Recovery Period 15 (June 2016 through November 2016).

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<sup>1</sup> Electronic Filing Information Service (“EFIS”) No. 2 (March 31, 2017).

<sup>2</sup> EFIS No. 3 (March 31, 2017).

<sup>3</sup> EFIS No. 5 (May 1, 2017). Staff added an affidavit in File No. ER-2017-0254. EFIS No. 6 (May 2, 2017).

<sup>4</sup> EFIS No. 6 (May 11, 2016) *Response to Recommendation Filed by the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission*. The response to the recommendation reserves the right to challenge the amounts in the tariffs in the context of a prudence review.

<sup>5</sup> An FAC passes increases or decreases in net fuel cost to customers without a general rate case. Section 386.266, RSMo 2016; 4 CSR 240-20.090(4).

For that period, the company alleges a true-up amount of \$5,816 in under-recovery and interest. Those amounts are components of the FAC for the company's Accumulation Period 17, which is the subject of File No. ER-2017-0254. In that case, the company asks to adjust the company's rates per kilowatt hour ("kWh") by \$0.00614 for primary service and \$0.00625 for secondary service. For a residential customer using 1,000 kWh per month, the tariff increases the FAC by approximately \$6.25 per month from -\$4.57 to \$1.68.

On the basis of the verified and uncontested filings, the Commission concludes that the tariff conforms to the applicable statutes, regulations, and tariffs, so the Commission will approve the tariff.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The tariff assigned Tracking No. JE-2017-0191 is approved to become effective on June 1, 2017, subject to true-up and prudence review.

2. The specific tariff sheet approved is:

**MO. P.S.C. 5, Section 4**

2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 17ac cancelling 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 17ac

3. This order shall be effective on June 1, 2017.

4. This file shall close on June 2, 2017.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Hall, Chm., Stoll, Kenney, and Rupp CC., concur,  
Coleman, C., absent.

Jordan, Senior Regulatory Law Judge

**STATE OF MISSOURI**

**OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

**WITNESS** my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May 2017.



  
Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

**MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**May 17, 2017**

**File/Case No. ER-2017-0254**

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**Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).**

**Sincerely,**



**Morris L. Woodruff**  
**Secretary**

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