BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of)	
The Empire District Electric Company and)	
White River Valley Electric Cooperative for)	Case No. EO-2008-0254
Approval of a Change in Electric Supplier)	
for a Customer for Reasons in the)	
Public Interest)	

STAFF MEMORANDUM AND RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through the Commission's General Counsel, and hereby advises the Commission that it should grant the Joint Application and approve the requested change of electric supplier, all as is explained in detail in the attached Staff Memorandum.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served, either electronically or by hand delivery or by First Class United States Mail, postage prepaid, on this **25**th **day of March, 2008,** on the parties of record as set out on the official Service List maintained by the Data Center of the Missouri Public Service Commission for this case.

s/ Kevin A. Thompson