

March 20, 2013

Mr. Steven Reed Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge Missouri Public Service Commission 200 Madison Street, Suite 100 Jefferson City, MO 65102-0360

Dear Mr. Reed:

The accompanying tariff sheets issued by The Empire District Electric Company are transmitted to you for approval as requested in the Order issued January 4, 2013 in Case No. EO-2013-0313.

Section B Section B Sheet No. Original Sheet No. 27 Original Sheet No. 27a

The above sheets carry an issue date of March 20, 2013 and a requested effective date of April 19, 2013.

Sincerely,

W. Scott Heich

Scott Keith Director Planning and Regulatory