

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

In the Matter of The Empire)	
District Electric Company's Request)	<u>File No. ER-2016-0023</u>
For Authority to Implement a General)	Tracking No.: YE-2017-0031
Rate Increase for Electric Service)	

ORDER APPROVING COMPLIANCE TARIFFS

Issue Date: September 6, 2016

Effective Date: September 14, 2016

On August 10, 2016, the Commission issued an Order Approving Stipulation and Agreement ("Order") that rejected the tariff sheets (Tracking No. YE-2016-0104) submitted by The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") on October 16, 2015, and directed the company to submit new tariff sheets in compliance with the terms of the approved Stipulation and Agreement. On August 15, Empire filed tariff sheets (Tracking No. YE-2017-0031) with a September 14 effective date, as directed in the Commission's Order. Empire filed substitute Fuel Adjustment Clause tariff sheets on August 26.

The Commission issued an order setting a deadline for the Commission's Staff to file a report on whether Empire's tariff sheets complied with the Commission's August 10 Order. The Commission also set a September 1 deadline for the filing of objections that assert Empire's tariff sheets do not comply with the Commission's Order, but no objections were received.

On August 30, Staff filed its Recommendation to Approve Tariffs, stating that Empire's proposed tariffs sheets filed on August 15, and as substituted on August 26, (Tracking No. YE-2017-0031) are in compliance with the Commission's Order. Staff

recommends the Commission approve Empire's proposed tariffs sheets to go into effect on and after September 14, 2016.

The Commission finds that the tariff sheets submitted by Empire comply with the Commission's Order and will therefore approve them to go into effect on September 14, 2016. The parties had since August 15 to review the submitted tariff sheets and since August 26 to review the substitute FAC tariff sheets. Since the parties had sufficient time to review the tariffs and no parties raised any objections, the Commission finds it reasonable for this order to go into effect in less than thirty days.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The tariff sheets filed by The Empire District Electric Company on August 15, 2016, with the substitute FAC tariff sheets filed on August 26, 2016, and assigned Tariff Tracking No. YE-2017-0031, are approved to become effective on September 14, 2016.

2. This order shall become effective on September 14, 2016.

BY THE COMMISSION



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Kim S. Burton, Senior Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 6th day of September, 2016.

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 6th day of September 2016.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

September 6, 2016

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

Sincerely,



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