

October 1, 2020

Missouri Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102

## RE: The Empire District Electric Company ("Liberty-Empire") Fuel & Purchase Power Adjustment Clause ("FAC") – Periodic Change and True-Up

Dear Judge Woodruff:

In accordance with Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20-090(8), Liberty-Empire is initiating a new case with an ER designation, and I am providing herewith to the Missouri Public Service Commission for filing, in electronic form, the FAC Direct Testimony of Charlotte T. Emery and the following revised tariff sheet: First Revised Sheet No. 17q, Replacing the Original Sheet No. 17q. This revised tariff sheet is dated today, with a proposed effective date of December 1, 2020.

For the Accumulation Period March 2020 through August 2020, Liberty-Empire's actual total energy costs eligible for the FAC have been lower than the base energy cost included in the Company's Missouri rates by approximately \$2,860,278. In accordance with the Commission's FAC rule and Liberty-Empire's approved FAC tariff, the Company has filed a FAC rate tariff that is designed to return 95% of the energy cost differences, or approximately \$2,717,264. In addition to the energy cost differences, the calculation reflects a prior period adjustment of \$141,557 related to the FAC Semi-Annual Update filed by the Company on April 1, 2020 (Case No. ER-2020-0311). When these components are netted together, a total of \$2,575,706 is to be refunded to Missouri jurisdictional customers.

Additionally, in accordance with Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20-090(9), Liberty-Empire is initiating a new case with an EO designation, and I am providing herewith to the Commission for filing, in electronic form, the FAC True-Up Direct Testimony of Charlotte T. Emery and additional information required by the Commission's Rule.

As described in Ms. Emery's testimony, Liberty-Empire seeks to return to customers approximately \$1,423,471 of over-recovered energy costs from the prior Recovery Period ending May 31, 2020. With the inclusion of \$17,232 for interest expense, this brings the total net refund due to Missouri customers to approximately \$4,016,409. This total represents the Fuel and Purchased Power Adjustment, or FPA.

Please bring these filings to the attention of the Commissioners and the appropriate Commission personnel, and please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have regarding these filings.

Sincerely,

Diana C. Carter