STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its Office in Jefferson City on the 22nd day of February, 2017.

In The Matter of The Empire District Electric Company's Revised Cogeneration and Net Metering Tariff Sheets

File No. ET-2017-0219 Tariff Nos. YE-2017-0159

and YE-2017-0160

ORDER APPROVING EXPEDITED TARIFFS

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Issue Date: February 22, 2017

Effective Date: March 4, 2017

The Empire District Electric Company (Empire) filed revised tariffs on February 14, 2017, to amend its cogeneration and net metering tariffs. The tariff revisions carry a March 16 effective date, but Empire filed a motion for expedited treatment asking the Commission to approve the tariff revisions to take effect as soon as possible.

Empire's motion explains that it originally filed its cogeneration and net metering tariff revisions on January 13, 2017, and gave them a thirty-day effective date of February 12. But before those tariffs went into effect, the Commission's Staff identified errors in the rates established in those tariffs. In response to Staff's concerns, Empire withdrew the erroneous tariffs before they became effective.

Empire says the revised tariffs it filed on February 14 correct the errors identified by Staff. It argues that since Staff has already thoroughly reviewed the January 13 versions of these tariffs, a thirty-day effective date for the revised tariffs is unnecessary.

The Commission ordered that any party wishing to respond to Empire's motion do so by February 16. Staff responded on February 15, agreeing with Empire's request for expedited approval of its tariffs, and recommending the Commission approve the tariffs to go into effect on an expedited basis. No one has opposed the expedited approval of Empire's tariffs.

The Commission finds that the submitted tariffs should be approved expeditiously. Because no one has opposed expedited approval of Empire's tariffs, the Commission will make this order effective in ten days.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The proposed tariff sheets submitted under Tariff Nos. YE-2017-0159 and YE-2017-0160 by The Empire District Electric Company are approved, effective on and after March 4, 2017. The specific tariff sheets approved are:

P.S.C. MO No. 5, Section 4 20th Revised Sheet No. 6, Canceling 19th Revised Sheet No. 6

P.S.C. MO No. 5, Section 4 11th Revised Sheet No. 13, Canceling 10th Revised Sheet No. 13

- 2. This order shall become effective on March 4, 2017.
- 3. This file shall be closed on March 6, 2017.



BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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

Woodruff, Chief 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 22nd day of February 2017.



Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

February 22, 2017

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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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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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