

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

In the Matter of the Application of The )  
Empire District Electric Company d/b/a )  
Liberty to Obtain a Certificate of ) **File No. EA-2023-0131**  
Convenience and Necessity to Enhance )  
System Resiliency )

**ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME**

Issue Date: April 26, 2023

Effective Date: April 26, 2023

On February 14, 2023, The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty filed an application with the Commission seeking an order granting a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) authorizing Liberty to construct, install, own, operate, maintain, and otherwise control and manage two combustion turbine generators, each with a nominal net output of 13.3 MW to replace existing combustion turbine generators Riverton Unit 10 and Riverton Unit 11.

On February 16, 2023, the Commission issued an *Order Directing Notice, Setting Intervention and Response Deadlines, and Directing Staff Recommendation*, which, among other things, set an April 3<sup>rd</sup> deadline for the Staff of the Commission (Staff) to file a recommendation or a status report stating when it expects to file a recommendation.

On April 3, 2023, Staff filed its *Status Report* and proposed a May 3, 2023, deadline for Staff to file its recommendation on Liberty's CCN application or to file a joint procedural schedule from the parties, if appropriate.

The Commission will extend the deadline for Staff to file its recommendation or joint procedural schedule.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. Staff shall file its recommendation on Liberty's CCN application as soon as possible, but no later than May 10, 2023.
2. If an evidentiary hearing is deemed appropriate by the parties, in lieu of a recommendation, Staff shall file a joint procedural schedule on behalf of all parties no later than May 10, 2023.
3. This order shall be effective when issued.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

*Nancy Dippell*

Nancy Dippell  
Secretary

Kenneth J. Seyer, Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant to  
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023.

**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 26<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023.**



*Nancy Dippell*  
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**Nancy Dippell**  
**Secretary**

**MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**April 26, 2023**

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

**Sincerely,**



**Nancy Dippell  
Secretary**

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