

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

In the Matter of the Application of The Empire District)
Electric Company for Authority to Issue and Sell under its)
Existing Indenture of Mortgage and Deed of Trust Dated as)
of September 1, 1944, as Amended and Supplemented, up)
to and Including \$150,000,000 Principal Amount of its First) **Case No. EF-2014-0195**
Mortgage Bonds, in One or More Series and to, Among)
Other Things, Execute and Deliver a Supplemental)
Indenture or Indentures to Provide for the Terms of Said)
Bonds.)

STAFF'S RESPONSE TO COMMISSION ORDER

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and responds to the Commission's December 18, 2014, *Order Directing Staff to File Statement Concerning Company's Compliance Filing* by stating that The Empire District Electric Company's December 17, 2014, filing of the final terms of its financing is satisfactory.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 18th day of December, 2014.

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