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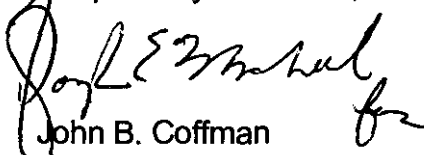
RE: The Empire District Electric Company
Case No. ER-2002-1074

Dear Mr. Roberts:

By this letter, I wish to inform the Missouri Public Service Commission that the Office of the Public Counsel will not be filing any pleading in response to the Commission's Staff "Suggestions in Support of Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement Regarding 'Error in Case No. ER-2001-299 and an Immediate Reduction of the Interim Energy Charge."

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to the following this 31st day of May 2002:

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