

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

In the Matter of the Joint Application of )  
The Empire District Electric Company and )  
White River Valley Electric Cooperative for ) **Case No. EO-2008-0254**  
Approval of a Change in Electric Supplier for a )  
Customer for Reasons in the Public Interest )

**ORDER PROVIDING NOTICE, ESTABLISHING INTERVENTION DEADLINE, AND DIRECTING STAFF TO FILE RECOMMENDATION**

Issue Date: February 5, 2008

Effective Date: February 5, 2008

On February 1, 2008, The Empire District Electric Company and White River Valley Electric Cooperative filed a Joint Application asking the Commission to approve a change in electric supplier for a piece of property located near Hollister, Missouri. White River currently provides electric service to the property, but the owner of the property intends to develop a water park and arena, which would be served by Empire if the application is approved.

Since Empire and White River jointly filed the application, the Commission presumes they both support the requested change of supplier. The owner of the property is not, however, a party to the application. Therefore, the Commission will provide notice of the filing of the application to the property owner and will establish a deadline for the filing of an application to intervene. In addition, the Commission will establish a date for its Staff to file a recommendation regarding the Joint Application.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. The Commission's Data Center shall mail a copy of this order to the owner of the affected property, Hollister Interchange Development Company, LLC, Attn. Justin Gage, 801 Birch Street, Hollister, Missouri 65673.

2. Any proper person wishing to intervene in this matter shall file an application to do so no later than February 25, 2008. Such applications shall be filed with:

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

with a copy served on:

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3. The Commission's Staff shall file its recommendation regarding the Joint Application no later than March 31, 2008.

4. This order shall become effective on February 5, 2008.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

( S E A L )

Morris L. Woodruff, Deputy Chief Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008.