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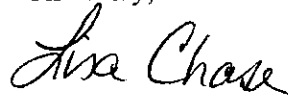
**Missouri Public
Service Commission**

RE: Case No. EC-2003-0452

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed for filing please find an original and five (5) copies of Ozark Boarder Electric Cooperative's Joint Status Report in the above referenced matter. Thank you for seeing this filed.

Sincerely,



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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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Missouri Public
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Ozark Border Electric Cooperative,)
)
Complainant,)
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vs.)
)
City of Poplar Bluff,)
)
Respondent.)

Case No. EC-2003-0452

JOINT STATUS REPORT

COME NOW, Ozark Border Electric Cooperative, by and through its attorneys of record, Kennedy, Kennedy & Robbins, LC and Andereck, Evans, Milne, Peace & Johnson, L.L.C., and City of Poplar Bluff, by and through its attorneys of record, Brydon, Swearengen & England, P.C., and pursuant to the Missouri Commission's June 9, 2003 Order Regarding Mediation hereby files their Joint Status Report as follows:

1. As reflected in the Commission's Order, the parties herein have agreed to mediation. On June 9, 2003, this Commission issued an Order requiring the parties to file a joint status report of the mediation on or before July 9, 2003, and at monthly intervals thereafter, until further order of this Commission.
2. The parties have scheduled a mediation on July 24, 2003 at the Alternative Dispute Resolution Center at the Law School of the University of Missouri-Columbia.
3. The parties will report on their progress following the July 24, 2003 mediation in their joint status report to be filed on or before August 9, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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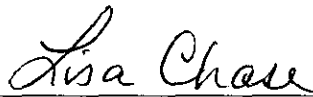
The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing was mailed, via U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, this 9th day of July, 2003, to:

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