## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

William L. Gehrs, Jr.,	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	
V.	)	Case No. EC-2018-0033
	)	
The Empire District Electric Company,	)	
Respondent.	)	

## PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

**COME NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), The Empire District Electric Company (Company), William L. Gehrs, Jr., and Bob Higginbotham in response to the presiding officer's direction to Staff "to coordinate with the parties and file a proposed procedural schedule" by December 29, 2017 and presents the following procedural schedule:

- By January 3, 2018, Mr. Gehrs shall file an Amended Complaint, and Mr.
   Higginbotham will either join in the Amended Complaint or file a statement of his position as an intervenor.
- By January 23, 2018, the Company shall file an Answer to the Amended Complaint.
- 3. By February 23, 2018, Staff shall file a Supplemental Staff Report.
- 4. By March 15, 2018, if the parties have not reached an agreement, the parties shall file an Amended Procedural Schedule, including a hearing date.

**WHEREFORE**, Staff requests the Commission to set this procedural schedule as outlined above, and order the parties to comply with it and the procedures set forth above.

Respectfully Submitted,

## /s/ Casi Aslin

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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 28<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017.

/s/ Casi Aslin