OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of The Empire District)	
Electric Company for Authority to Transfer Functional)	Case No. EO-2006-0141
Control of Certain Transmission Assets to the Southwest)	
Power Pool, Inc.)	

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: October 12, 2005 Effective Date: October 12, 2005

This order directs the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission to file an update, advising the Commission of a date certain that Staff will file a recommendation in this matter.

The Empire District Electric Company filed an application for approval to transfer functional control of certain transmission assets to the Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Staff of the Commission shall file a status report no later than November 1, 2005, informing the Commission of when Staff will be able to submit a recommendation in this matter.

2. That this order shall become effective on October 12, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Kennard L. Jones, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 12th day of October, 2005.