

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of)
The Empire District Electric Company for Authority to)
Issue and Sell Under its Existing Indenture of Mortgage and)
Deed of Trust Dated as of September 1, 1944,)
as Amended and Supplemented, up to and Including) File No. EF-2011-0393
\$250,000,000 Principal Amount of its First Mortgage Bonds,)
in One or More Series and to, Among Other Things,)
Execute and Deliver a Supplemental Indenture or)
Indentures to Provide for the Terms of Said Bonds)

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: June 20, 2011

Effective Date: June 20, 2011

The Missouri Public Service Commission is directing Staff to file a recommendation on the application.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. This Commission's Staff shall file a recommendation as to the application no later than July 20, 2011.
2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

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Daniel Jordan, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 20th day of June, 2011.