BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Empire District Electric Company,) Liberty Utilities (Central) Co., and Liberty Sub Corp. Concerning an Agreement and Plan of Merger and Certain Related Transactions

Case No. EM-2016-0213

STAFF'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION TO FILE JOINT LIST OF ISSUES

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COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through counsel, and on behalf of all of the parties,¹ and for its *Motion for Extension* to File Joint List of Issues, hereby states:

The parties are currently working on a joint list of issues to be filed with the Commission, but to date have not finalized an agreed-upon list. Accordingly, the Staff and parties request a one-day extension to provide additional time to finalize a joint list of issues and file it with the Commission.

WHEREFORE, Staff prays, on behalf of all of the parties herein, that the Commission extend the filing of the joint list of issues to August 17, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,

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¹ Most of the parties affirmatively indicated their agreement with this *Motion*; however, some had not as of the time of filing. No party affirmatively indicated its disagreement with this Motion.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail, or First Class United States Mail, postage prepaid, on this 16th day of August, 2016, to all counsel of record.

<u>/s/ Mark Johnson</u>