

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the matter of The Empire District)
Electric Company of Joplin, Missouri for)
Authority to File Tariffs Increasing Rates)
for Electric Service Provided to)
Customers in the Missouri Service Area of)
the Company.

File No. ER-2012-0345

NOTICE REGARDING LED STREET AND AREA LIGHTING

COMES NOW The Empire District Electric Company (“Empire”), by and through counsel, and for its Notice Regarding LED Street and Area Lighting, respectfully states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (the “Commission”):

1. As part of the resolution of this rate case, Empire agreed to “either file LED street and area lighting (SAL) tariff sheets or make an informational filing with the Commission to provide an update on an LED pilot study and plans for filing future LED SAL tariff sheets” by April 1 of 2014. Empire is not submitting tariff sheets at this time, and, instead, is submitting this informational filing.

2. Empire established a working group of its employees to study and discuss LED SAL issues, and, as part of its efforts, the working group reviewed the final report from a Mid-America Regional Council LED street light pilot and reviewed information related to the LED rate design alternatives explored by Kansas City Power & Light Company during its Missouri LED pilot.

3. The working group recommended to Empire’s management that Empire propose to the Commission an LED street light pilot study to gather financial and statistical information associated with the installation and operation of LED street lights based upon Empire-specific information, and Empire management agrees with this recommendation. Empire is in the process

