BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Sixth Prudence Review)	
Of Costs Subject to the Commission-)	Case No. EO-2017-0065
Approved Fuel Adjustment Clause of the)	
Empire District Electric Company)	

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE APPLICATION FOR REHEARING

COMES NOW, Office of Public Counsel ("OPC"), by and through counsel, and hereby requests this Commission to extend the time for OPC to file its Application for Rehearing for the following reasons:

- In the January 3, 2018, Order, and during the agenda meeting of the same date,
 Commissioner Rupp dissented to the Commission's Majority Report and Order.
- 2) The Report and Order stated that "Rupp, C. dissents with dissenting opinion to follow."
- 3) To date, this January 9, 2018, the dissenting opinion has not been published to the parties.
- 4) In order to draft its Application for Rehearing, OPC needs sufficient time to review the dissenting opinion.
- 5) As it stands, the Application for Rehearing would be due on January 16, 2018 (accounting for the weekend and holiday), which means OPC has only 4 more business days to complete is Application for Rehearing. *See* 4 CSR 240-2.160(2).
- 6) Additionally, Counsel for OPC is new to this case and needs additional time to familiarize himself with the record.

- 7) Counsel for OPC proposes that the Application for Rehearing be due 10 days from the publication of the dissent, whenever that may be.
- 8) Counsel for OPC emailed counsel for Staff and counsel for Empire on January 8, 2018, in order to obtain to their consent to this request, but has not heard back from either party.

Wherefore, the Office of the Public Counsel respectfully asks this Commission to extend the deadline to ten (10) days from the date of the dissent being issued.

Respectfully submitted,

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