

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

In the Matter of an Investigation into  
Southwest Power Pool Cost Allocations and  
Cost Overruns

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**File No. EO-2011-0134**

**ORDER EXTENDING TIME TO FILE COMMENTS ON SPP'S  
SELECTION OF PROJECTS TO BE BUILT**

Issue Date: February 4, 2011

Effective Date: February 4, 2011

In its November 23, 2010 order opening an investigation into Southwest Power Pool cost allocations and cost overruns, the Commission allowed parties interested in the issue of how SPP selects projects to be built, including the issue of cost estimates and cost-benefit analysis, to file comments by February 4, 2011, with reply comments to follow by February 18. On February 3, The Empire District Electric Company filed a motion asking the Commission to extend the date for filing comments until February 11, and similarly extend the date for filing reply comments one week to February 25.

Empire's motion explains that it has been unable to complete its comments in the time allowed because of the recent snowstorm. The motion represents that counsel for SPP does not object to the proposed extension. Staff filed a response to Empire's motion on February 3, indicating it also does not object to the requested filing extension.

Empire's motion is reasonable and the Commission will grant the requested extension.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. Any party interested in the issue of how SPP selects projects to be built, including the issue of cost estimates and cost-benefit analysis, may file comments no later than February 11, 2011.
2. Any party interested in the issue of how SPP selects projects to be built, including the issue of cost estimates and cost-benefit analysis, may file reply comments no later than February 25, 2011.
3. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

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**Steven C. Reed  
Secretary**

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2011.