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VIA FAX OR E-MAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Honorable Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge Missouri Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

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Re: Empire District Electric Company

Case No. ER-2002-424

Missouri Public Service Commission

Dear Judge Roberts:

Please find enclosed our Entry of Appearance, Motion to Intervene and Timothy M. Winter's and A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc.'s Response to the Motion for Issuance of Subpoena Duces Tecum Fewer Than Twenty Days Before Hearing. Copies have been sent to the parties of record that we have been able to identify.

Thank you for your continuing cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Thompson Coburn LLP

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI



In the Matter of the Application 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

Service Commission

Case No. ER-2002-424

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

COMES NOW, Eric Kendall Banks of Thompson Coburn LLP who enters his appearance on behalf of Timothy M. Winter and A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc. in the aforementioned matter for the sole purpose of contesting the Motion for Issuance of Subpoena Duces Tecum Fewer than Twenty Days Before Hearing and matters relating to it, including but not limited to, the Order Shortening Time In Which To Respond and/or any Motion to Quash which may need to be filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was served on Keith R. Kruger, Deputy General Counsel, Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102; John Coffman, Office of the Public Counsel, P.O. Box 7800, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 and James C. Swearengen, Brydon, Swearengen & England, P.O. Box 456, Jefferson City, Missouri 6502; Stuart W. Conrad, Finnegan, Conrad & Peterson, L.C. 3100 Broadway, Suite 1209, Kansas City, Missouri 64111 by sending a copy via first class mail, postage prepaid, this 18th day of October, 2002 and by faxing or E-Mailing them copies.

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