

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

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company's)
Request for Authority to File Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric) Case No. ER-2020-_____
Service Provided to Customers in its Missouri Service Area)

NOTICE OF INTENDED CASE FILING

COMES NOW The Empire District Electric Company, a Liberty Utilities company (“Empire”), and for its Notice of Intended Case Filing being submitted herein pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017, respectfully states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (the “Commission”):

1. Empire is a Kansas corporation with its principal office and place of business at 602 S. Joplin Ave., Joplin, Missouri. Empire is qualified to conduct business and is conducting business in Missouri, as well as in the states of Arkansas, Kansas, and Oklahoma. Empire is engaged, generally, in the business of generating, purchasing, transmitting, distributing, and selling electricity in portions of the referenced four states. Empire's Missouri operations are subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission as provided by law.

2. Although the exact filing date is unknown, Empire provides notice that it intends to file a general rate case in the coming months. Issues the Commission will be asked to consider and decide in the general rate case are those that normally arise in general rate case proceedings for an electric utility with a Fuel Adjustment Clause. This will be Empire's first rate case addressing its investments being made pursuant to the Certificates of Convenience and Necessity granted in Case No. EA-2019-0010 for the Kings Point and North Fork Ridge wind generation facilities located in the Missouri counties of Barton, Dade, Jasper, and Lawrence and the Neosho Ridge wind generation facility located in Neosho County, Kansas.

3. With regard to Rule 4.017(1) and the requirement that a 60-day filing notice include “a summary of all communication regarding substantive issues likely to be in the case between the filing party and the office of the commission that occurred in the ninety (90) days prior to filing the notice,” Empire verifies that there have been no ex parte communications regarding substantive issues likely to be in the intended case between Empire and the office of the Commission within the 90 days prior to the filing of this Notice.

WHEREFORE, Empire submits to the Commission this Notice of Intended Case Filing. Empire requests such relief as is just and proper under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

THE EMPIRE DISTRICT ELECTRIC COMPANY

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the above document was filed in EFIS on this 4th day of June, 2020, and sent by electronic transmission to the Staff of the Commission and the Office of the Public Counsel.

/s/ Diana C. Carter