OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of The Empire)	
District Electric Company for a Waiver of the)	
Provisions of Its Tariff and 4 CSR 240-14.020 with)	Case No. EE-2007-0030
Regard to The Lakes at Shuyler Ridge Subdivision)	
In Conjunction with a Proposed First Territorial)	
Agreement with Ozark Electric Cooperative.)	

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: July 20, 2006 Effective Date: July 20, 2006

On July 18, 2006, The Empire District Electric Company asked the Commission for a rule variance and a tariff variance. Empire requests these variances so that it may provide electrical service to The Lakes at Shuyler Ridge at the same or similar prices that Ozark Electric Cooperative agreed to serve that subdivision.

The Commission will order its Staff to reply to Empire's application.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file a Staff Recommendation or a Status Report regarding when it will file its Recommendation no later than August 21, 2006.

2. That this order shall become effective on July 20, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Ronald D. Pridgin, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 20th day of July, 2006.