

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

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company's)
Notice of Intent to File an Application Concerning)
Demand-Side Programs and a Demand-Side Program) **File No. EO-2012-0206**
Investment Mechanism)

MOTION FOR REQUEST TO POSTPONE PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On February 28, 2012, The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") filed an application seeking approval of demand-side programs and for authority to establish a Demand Side Management Investment Mechanism tracker. The Commission convened a procedural conference on March 12, 2012 and directed the parties to file a proposed procedural schedule.

On March 19, 2012, the parties filed a jointly proposed procedural schedule. The parties assert that good cause exists to postpone the procedural schedule to allow the parties to an opportunity to negotiate a potential resolution to this matter.

WHEREFORE, Counsel for Staff, respectfully requests the Commission postpone the procedural schedule to permit the parties an opportunity to attempt to resolve this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or by electronic mail to all counsel of record on this 23rd day of May, 2012.

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