OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

The Empire District Electric Company's
2007 Utility Resource Filing Pursuant to
4 CSR 240 - Chapter 22

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Case No. EO-2008-0069

NOTICE REGARDING FURTHER PROCEEDINGS

Issue Date: January 16, 2008

The Staff of the Commission, the Office of the Public Counsel, and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources have filed comments regarding what they contend are deficiencies in the Integrated Resource Plan filed by The Empire District Electric Company. Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-22.080(8) allows the parties 45 days to work with the utility, and each other, to prepare and submit a joint agreement on a plan to remedy the identified deficiencies. If an agreement cannot be reached, 4 CSR 240-22.080(9) allows the utility and the other parties until the 60th day after the filing of comments to file a response to the alleged deficiencies. The 45th day after the comments were filed is February 29. The 60th day after the comments were filed is March 15. Since that is a Saturday, the responses will be due on Monday, March 17.

The Commission assumes the parties will be able to cooperate with each other to discuss the identified deficiencies, and will not schedule a formal conference for that purpose. However, if the parties believe a formal conference would be helpful, the

Commission is willing to schedule such a conference, or to take any other appropriate steps to facilitate those discussions.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 16th day of January, 2008.

Woodruff, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge