BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of The Empire District Electric Company and Ozark Electric Cooperative for Approval of a Written Territorial Agreement Designating the Boundaries of Exclusive Service Areas for Each within Two Tracts of Land in Greene County and Christian County, Missouri

Case No. EO-2007-0029

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: September 28, 2006

Effective Date: September 28, 2006

On July 18, 2006, The Empire District Electric Company and Ozark Electric Cooperative filed a Joint Application. The parties ask that the Commission find that the proposed territorial agreement is not detrimental to the public interest and to approve the agreement.

The Commission issued an Order and Notice which gave interested parties until August 8 to request intervention. No parties applied for intervention.

On August 14, the Commission ordered its Staff to file a Recommendation or, in the alternative, a Status Report regarding when it planned to file its Recommendation, no later than September 13. Staff has not yet filed any pleadings.

The Commission will again order its Staff to file a Recommendation or, in the alternative, a Status Report regarding when it plans to file its Recommendation. If Staff needs additional time, it may, of course, file a motion requesting an extension of time.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Staff of the Public Service Commission shall file a Recommendation or,

in the alternative, a Status Report informing the Commission when it plans to file its Recommendation, no later than October 30, 2006.

2. That this order shall become effective on September 28, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 28th day of September, 2006.