

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

In the Matter of The Empire	)	
District Electric Company for Authority	)	<b><u>File No. ER-2014-0351</u></b>
To File Tariffs Increasing Rates for	)	Tracking No.: YE-2015-0074
Electric Service Provided to Customers	)	
In the Company's Missouri Service Area	)	

**ORDER GRANTING APPLICATIONS TO INTERVENE**

Issue Date: September 24, 2014

Effective Date: September 24, 2014

On August 29, 2014, The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") filed revised tariff sheets. The Commission issued an order suspending the tariff sheets and setting a deadline for entities to file applications to intervene.

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(3) authorizes the Commission to grant an application to intervene if the party has an interest different from that of the general public which may be adversely impacted by a final order arising from the case, or if granting intervention would serve the public interest.

Midwest Energy Users' Association ("MEUA") filed a timely application to intervene. MEUA is an ad-hoc association of large commercial and industrial electricity customers. MEUA's interest is different from that of the general public and its participants' interests may be adversely impacted by a final order in this matter.

Midwest Energy Consumers Group ("MECG") filed a timely application to intervene. MECG is an unincorporated association of large users of electricity. MECG's members receive service from Empire. MECG members have a direct and immediate interest in this matter that is different from that of the general public which may be adversely impacted by a final order in this matter.

Upon review of the unopposed applications, the Commission finds MEUA and MECG meet the standards set in Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(3). Therefore, the Commission will grant both applications to intervene.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The application of Midwest Energy Users' Association to intervene is granted.
2. The application of Midwest Energy Consumers Group to intervene is granted.
3. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Kim S. Burton, Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.