

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

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company's)
Submission of Its 2015 Annual RES Compliance Plan) **File No. EO-2015-0260**

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATIONS TO INTERVENE

Issue Date: May 29, 2015

Effective Date: May 29, 2015

On April 14, 2015, The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") filed its 2015 Annual Renewable Energy Standard Compliance Plan and Report pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-20.100. The Commission received intervention requests from: Earth Island Institute, d/b/a Renew Missouri; and the Missouri Division of Energy. Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(13) allows parties ten days to respond to pleadings unless the Commission orders otherwise. The Commission issued no order to the contrary, ten days have elapsed since the applications to intervene were filed, and the Commission received no responses to those applications. Consequently, the Commission will take them up unopposed.

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(4) allows the Commission to grant intervention to a person who has an interest different from that of the general public and which may be adversely affected by a final order arising from the case, or if granting intervention would serve the public interest. Upon review of the unopposed applications, the Commission finds that the applicants meet the standard in Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(4). Therefore, the Commission will grant the applications to intervene.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The above-referenced applications to intervene are granted.

2. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 29th day of May, 2015.