

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

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)
Company of Joplin, Missouri for Authority to)
File Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric Service) **File No. ER-2010-0130**
Provided to Customers in the Missouri Service)
Area of the Company)

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: August 25, 2010

Effective Date: August 25, 2010

On August 18, 2010, the Commission issued an Order Approving Stipulation and Agreement and Cancelling Hearing. Through its Order, the Commission directed The Empire District Electric Company of Joplin, Missouri to file a compliance tariff reflecting the parties' agreement that Plum Point Generating Unit is fully operational.

On August 23, Empire filed a motion for expedited approval of a tariff that it intends to file on August 30. The company requests that the Commission act on the tariff on September 1, with the tariff becoming effective on September 10.

To facilitate Empire's request, the Commission will direct that the Staff of the Commission file a recommendation no later than August 31.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Staff of the Commission shall file no later than August 31, 2010, a recommendation informing the Commission of whether the tariff sheets that will be filed on August 30, 2010, are in compliance with the Commission's order and consistent with the parties' agreement.

2. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

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Kennard L. Jones, Senior Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240 RSMo.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 25th day of August, 2010.