

**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 Tariff Increasing    )  
Rates for Electric Service Provided to Customers in the    )  
Missouri Service Area of the Company                            )  
**File No. ER-2010-0130**  
Tariff File No. YE-2010-0303

**ORDER DIRECTING  
MISSOURI ENERGY USERS' ASSOCIATION TO RESPOND**

Issue Date: December 3, 2009

Effective Date: December 3, 2009

The Missouri Energy Users' Association has filed an application requesting intervention, to which The Empire District Electric Company has filed an objection. This order directs the MEUA to file a response, addressing each point noted in Empire's objection.

Additionally, MEUA is a named party in Commission Case No. ER-2010-0036. In the above-captioned case, MEUA consists of Praxair, Inc. and Explorer Pipeline Company. In Case No. ER-2010-0036 MEUA consists of Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. and Best Buy Co., Inc. The Commission will also require MEUA to address any possible legal or practical complications that may arise if a stipulation and agreement is entered into in either case; moreover, how the rights of the members in one case might be affected by actions taken in the other case.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Missouri Energy Users' Association shall file, no later than December 8, 2009, a pleading as described in the body of this order.

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 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 3rd day of December, 2009.