

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

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| In the Matter of Staff's Audit of The Empire District |) | |
| Electric Company's Conversion of Riverton Generating |) | <u>File No. EO-2014-0069</u> |
| Station Unit 12 to a Combined Cycle Unit |) | |

ORDER OPENING A CASE

Issue Date: September 11, 2013

Effective Date: September 11, 2013

On September 10, 2013, the Commission's Staff filed a motion asking the Commission to open a case to facilitate and retain discovery regarding Staff's audit of The Empire District Electric Company's conversion of Riverton Unit 12 from a simple cycle combustion turbine to a combined cycle unit. This is not a contested case. Any consideration of the prudence of Empire's investment will occur in a subsequent rate case and not in this case. The Commission will open a case as Staff requests.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. This case is opened to facilitate and retain discovery regarding Staff's audit of The Empire District Electric Company's conversion of Riverton Unit 12 from a simple cycle combustion turbine to a combined cycle unit.
2. The Empire District Electric Company is made a party to this case.

3. This order shall become effective upon issuance.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 11th day of September, 2013.