BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric) Company's Request for Authority to File) Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric Service) Provided to Customers in its Missouri) Service Area)

File No. ER-2019-0374

ORDER DISPENSING WITH CONTINGENT TESTIMONY

Issue Date: April 29, 2020

Effective Date: April 29, 2020

At the April 28, 2020, procedural conference the regulatory judge suggested that The Empire District Electric Company file contingent testimony and evidence to be effective if the Commission reverses its ruling regarding altering the test year or isolated adjustments for the retirement of the Asbury Power Plant. After reconsideration, the regulatory judge has determined that contingent testimony creates more complications than it resolves. In the event that the Commission reverses its ruling, the Commission will reopen the record as is necessary to address the issue.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Empire District Electric Company need not file any contingent testimony concerning Asbury's retirement.

2. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION orris Z Woodry

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

John T. Clark, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 29th day of April, 2020.