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June 5, 2009

Ms. Colleen Dale
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
Missouri Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Re: The Empire District Gas Company

Dear Ms. Dale:

On behalf of The Empire District Gas Company ("EDG"), I am providing herewith to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") for filing, in electronic form, certain tariff sheets consisting of revised rate schedules which are designed to increase EDG's gross annual revenues by approximately \$2.9 million, exclusive of applicable gross receipts, sales, franchise or occupational fees or taxes. The rate schedules bear a date of issue of June 5, 2009 and an effective date of July 5, 2009.

Also provided, in electronic form, is a letter from Kelly S. Walters which sets forth a list of the rate schedules being provided, explains the purpose of the filing, and transmits certain information required by 4 CSR 240-3.030(3)(B). Also provided in electronic form is the direct testimony and schedules of EDG witnesses Laurie A. Delano, Aaron H. Doll, Kelly A. Emanuel, William L. Gipson, Jayna R. Long, Sherrill L. McCormack, H. Edwin Overcast, Robert W. Sager (both NP and HC versions), Thomas J. Sullivan, Steven R. Teter, James H. Vander Weide and Kelly S. Walters.

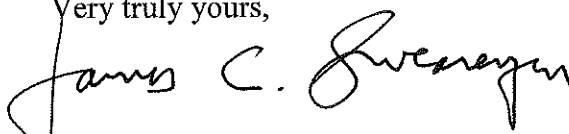
A copy of this entire filing will be provided to the Commission's General Counsel and to the Office of the Public Counsel.

Would you please bring this filing to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel and see that a copy of all correspondence, notices, orders and other communications in connection with this matter and proceeding are furnished to Kelly S. Walters, The Empire District Gas Company, 602 Joplin Street, Joplin, MO 64802, kwalters@empiredistrict.com, as well as to the undersigned.

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Thank you very much for your assistance.

Very truly yours,



James C. Swearngen

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Enclosures

Cc: Missouri Public Service Commission General Counsel
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