

**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)

Case No. ER-2019-0374

**PUBLIC COUNSEL'S REILING OF
THE PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF ROBERT E. SCHALLENBERG**

COMES NOW the Office of Public Counsel (Public Counsel) and refiles the prefiled direct testimony of Robert E. Schallenberg as public, except for Schedules RES-D-5, RES-D-6, and RES-D-12. When it prefiled the direct testimony of Robert E. Schallenberg on January 15, 2020, out of an abundance of caution, Public Counsel designated Schedules RES-D-5, RES-D-6, and RES-D-12 as confidential, and the body of the testimony as highly confidential, then on January 16, 2020, requested Empire to identify which parts are nonpublic. Empire did so on April 2, 2020, and Public Counsel reformatted the testimony to remove the highly confidential designations. While the text on some line numbers has changed as a result, the testimony filed herewith is the same as that Public Counsel filed on January 15, 2020, except that it includes no designations of any part of the testimony being non-public. Because the schedules were correctly designated when filed on January 15, 2020, Public Counsel is not prefiling them again.

WHEREFORE, the Office of the Public Counsel prefiles again the body of direct testimony of Robert E. Schallenberg as public in whole.

Respectfully,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 14th day of April 2020.

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