

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

The Empire District Electric Company's
2007 Utility Resource Filing Pursuant to
4 CSR 240 - Chapter 22

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) **Case No. EO-2008-0069**
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ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME TO SUBMIT AGREEMENT

Issue Date: April 30, 2008

Effective Date: April 30, 2008

The Staff of the Commission, the Office of the Public Counsel, and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources have filed comments regarding what they contend are deficiencies in the Integrated Resource Plan filed by The Empire District Electric Company. Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-22.080(8) allows the parties to work with the utility, and each other, to prepare and submit a joint agreement on a plan to remedy the identified deficiencies. Such a plan was to be submitted on February 29, 2008, but, at their request, the Commission allowed the parties until April 29 to submit their plan.

On April 29, Empire filed a Motion for Extension requesting an additional week to submit a joint agreement. The motion explains the parties are working toward an agreement but need additional time to finalize that agreement. Empire's motion represents that Staff concurs in its request for additional time. No other party has objected to the request for additional time, nor has any party yet submitted a plan to remedy the alleged deficiencies.

Commission rule 4 CSR 240-22.080(12) allows the Commission to extend or reduce any of the time periods specified in the rule for good cause shown. The Commission finds

that Empire has shown good cause for extending the time for submission of a plan to remedy the alleged deficiencies in its Integrated Resource Plan. The Commission will grant the requested extension.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Empire District Electric Company's Motion for Extension is granted.
2. The parties are allowed until May 6, 2008, to submit a joint agreement on a plan to remedy the identified deficiencies in The Empire District Electric Company's Integrated Resource Plan.
3. If the parties are not able to reach such an agreement, the parties are allowed until May 29, 2008, to file a response to the identified deficiencies in The Empire District Electric Company's Integrated Resource Plan.
4. This order shall become effective on April 30, 2008.

BY THE COMMISSION



Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 30th day of April, 2008.