

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

In the Matter of the Petition of The Empire)
District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty to)
Obtain a Financing Order that Authorizes) **File No. EO-2022-0040**
the Issuance of Securitized Utility Tariff)
Bonds for Qualified Extraordinary Costs)

In the Matter of the Petition of The Empire)
District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty to)
Obtain a Financing Order that Authorizes) **File No. EO-2022-0193**
the Issuance of Securitized Utility Tariff)
Bonds for Energy Transition Costs Related)
to the Asbury Plant)

**ORDER DIRECTING THE FINANCE TEAM TO SUBMIT
A STATUS REPORT**

Issue Date: September 1, 2023

Effective Date: September 1, 2023

For the Commission to remain informed and updated throughout the pre-issuance review process, the Commission’s Amended Report and Order in these cases provides that the Commission may require status meetings or phone conferences for the Finance Team and involved parties, to communicate and update the Commission on the information being reviewed and prepared in the structuring and pricing process. The Finance Team may submit written status reports to the Commission, as the Finance Team deems appropriate, or as requested by the Commission.

Section 393.1700.2(3)(h) RSMo, provides that before securitization bonds are issued, the electrical corporation is required to provide an issuance advice letter to the Commission, describing the final terms of the bonds.

The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty is presumably engaged in the pre-issuance process, preparing the structure and pricing for the issuance of the

securitized utility tariff bonds. The Finance Team's involvement in the pre-issuance process ends with the Commission's approval or disapproval of the issuance advice letter. The Commission will direct the Finance Team to provide a written status report setting forth an estimated timetable for the pre-issuance process and an estimated date the Commission may expect to receive an issuance advice letter describing the final terms of the securitized bonds.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Finance Team must provide a status report setting forth an estimated timetable for Liberty's pre-issuance process, an estimated date that an issuance and advice letter may be submitted for Commission determination, and any other concerns or useful information the Finance Team believes should be brought to the Commission's attention. This status report, or any request for additional time, must be submitted no later than September 15, 2023.

2. This order is effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy Dippell".

Nancy Dippell
Secretary

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 1st day of September 2023.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 1st day of September, 2023.



Nancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

September 1, 2023

File/Case No. EO-2022-0193 and EO-2022-0040

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Nancy Dippell
Secretary**

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