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

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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

# INITIAL BRIEF OF THE EMPIRE DISTRICT RETIRED MEMBERS AND SPOUSES ASSOCIATION

**COMES NOW** the Empire District Retired Members and Spouses Association (EDRA),

by and through counsel, and with respect to the above-captioned matter states as follows:

On April 15, 2020, several parties (including EDRA) jointly filed a nonunanimous Global

Stipulation and Agreement with the Commission.<sup>1</sup> At paragraphs 27 and 28 at pages 10-11, the

Company agrees to provide certain documents to a designated EDRA contact in the years 2020-

2026, and also to provide a contact person for EDRA to contact regarding these matters:

- 27. The Company shall provide, to a designated EDRA contact, the following documents of The Empire District Electric Company in the years 2020-2026:
  - a. IRS filings (specifically Form 5500 for each plan),
  - b. Actuarial valuation reports,
  - c. Financial disclosures,
  - d. Annual funding notice to pension plan participants,
  - e. Annual health care premium and coverage letter to retirees,
  - f. FERC Form 1 and summary and full annual reports

### 28. In addition, the company will designate a contact for these matters.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Electronic Filing Information System (EFIS), Item No. 220.

The *Global Stipulation and Agreement* resolves EDRA's documentation issues. As such, EDRA supports the nonunanimous *Global Stipulation and Agreement* filed in this case and urges this Commission to find that the *Global Stipulation and Agreement* is a just and reasonable resolution to the issues contained therein.

**WHEREFORE**, EDRA urges this Commission enter its Order and Report finding that the *Global Stipulation and Agreement* is a just and reasonable resolution to all the issues in the above-captioned case.

Respectfully Submitted,

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# ATTORNEYS FOR EDRA

### **Certificate of Service**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, emailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record this 6th day of May, 2020.

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