BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Tariff Filing of The Empire) District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty) Pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-3.155 and 20 CSR) 4240-20.065) Case No. ET-2023-0250 Tariff JE-2023-0127 and JE-2023-0128

RESPONSE TO ORDER SHORTENING TIME FOR RESPONSES AND DIRECTING FILING

COMES NOW Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its Response to Order Shortening Time for Responses and Directing Filing states as follows:

1. On February 6, 2023, the Commission issued an *Order Shortening Time for Responses and Directing Filing* ("Order") in this matter. The Order directed Staff to "provide an estimate of when it expects to file its recommendation no later than February 8, 2023."

2. On February 7, 2023, The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty ("Liberty") voluntarily extended the requested effective date of the tariff sheets which are the subject of this case to May 8, 2023. Given this effective date extension, Staff estimates at this time that it will file either a recommendation regarding the tariff sheets or a new request for suspension on April 19, 2023.

WHEREFORE Staff submits this Response to the Commission's Order Shortening Time for Responses and Directing Filing.

Respectfully submitted,

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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 counsel for Liberty and the Office of the Public Counsel this 8th day of February 2023.

/s/ Jeff Keevil