

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

In the Matter of the Application of The Empire District Electric)
Company for the Issuance of an Accounting Authority Order) **File No. EU-2011-0387**
Relating to its Electrical Operations and for a Contingent)
Waiver of the Notice Requirement of 4 CSR 240-4.020(2))

ORDER DIRECTING STATUS REPORTS

Issue Date: September 12, 2011

Effective Date: September 12, 2011

On September 9, 2011, The Empire District Electric Company filed its response to Staff's and Public Counsel's recommendations regarding its request for an accounting authority order. Empire states that on August 31, 2011, it provided the other parties a proposal to resolve this matter. The Commission will set deadlines for status reports.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The parties shall jointly file monthly status reports on the first business day of each month, the first being due no later than October 3, 2011.
2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

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Harold Stearley, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 12th day of September, 2011.