

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

In the Matter of the Eighth Prudence Review of )	
Costs Subject to the Commission-Approved )	<b><u>Case No. EO-2020-0059</u></b>
Fuel Adjustment Clause of The Empire District )	
Electric Company )	

**STAFF'S EIGHTH PRUDENCE REVIEW REPORT**

**COMES NOW** Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and submits Staff's Eighth Prudence Review Report (incorporated by reference) of costs related to the Fuel Adjustment Clause ("FAC") for the electric operations of The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire" or "Company"). In support thereof, Staff states as follows:

1. On September 4, 2019, Staff filed *Staff's Notice of Start of Eighth Fuel Adjustment Clause Prudence Review* ("Notice") informing the Commission that it had begun its review of the costs and revenues subject to Empire's FAC.
2. The Notice described Staff's plan to conduct a prudence review of the costs and revenues associated with Empire's FAC for the period March 1, 2018 through August 31, 2019. This Review Period corresponds to the 20th through 22<sup>nd</sup> accumulation periods of Empire's FAC.
3. Staff has completed its prudence review and provides a detailed discussion of its findings in Staff's *Eighth Prudence Review of Costs Related To The Fuel Adjustment Clause For The Electric Operations Of The Empire District Electric Company* ("Prudence Review Report") submitted concurrently herewith. As a result of its prudence review, and as more fully explained in the Prudence Review Report, Staff found no evidence of imprudence for the items it examined for the period of March 1, 2018 through August 31, 2019.

**WHEREFORE**, Staff requests the Commission accept its Prudence Review Report of Empire's FAC and that the Commission issue such further orders herein as the Commission deems proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to counsel of record this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.

**/s/ Jeffrey A. Keevil**