BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the 2019 RES Compliance) Report and 2020 RES Compliance Plan of the) Empire District Electric Company)

File No. EO-2020-0323

STAFF REPORT ON EMPIRE'S SUPPLEMENTAL 2019 RES COMPLIANCE REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff ("Staff") of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and for its *Staff Report on Empire's Supplemental 2019 RES Compliance Report,* states as follows:

1. On April 15, 2020, The Empire District Electric Company, a Liberty Utilities company ("Empire" or "Company") filed its 2019 Renewable Energy Standard (RES) Compliance Report and 2020 RES Compliance Plan as required by 20 CSR 4240-20.100(8).

2. The Commission ordered Staff to review the Report and Plan and to file a report within 45 days, which was May 30, 2020. On May 29, 2020, the Commission granted Staff's motion for an extension until June 12, 2020, to file its Staff Report on Empire's 2019 RES Compliance Report.

3. On June 3, 2020, Empire filed its Supplemental 2019 RES Compliance Report.

4. Staff has completed its review of Empire's Supplemental 2019 RES Compliance Report and found no deficiencies.

5. Staff previously completed its review of Empire's 2020 RES Compliance Plan and found no deficiencies, as reflected in the Staff Report filed May 29, 2020 in this case. WHEREFORE, Staff hereby files its Staff Report on Empire's Supplemental 2019

RES Compliance Report.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing were served electronically to all counsel of record this 12th day of June, 2020.

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