BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District)	
Electric Company's d/b/a Liberty (Empire))	
Fuel Costs Related to the Extraordinary)	Case No. EU-2021-0274
Weather Event of February 2021	j	

PUBLIC COUNSEL'S RESPONSE TO PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

With the exception of the proposed date of December 30, 2021, for filing rebuttal testimony the Office of the Public Counsel joins in the proposed procedural schedule Staff filed on behalf of Liberty and itself. Rather than December 30, 2021, for filing rebuttal testimony—between two major holidays and on a date of personal significance to a likely Public Counsel witness, Public Counsel proposes that rebuttal testimony be due on Friday, January 7, 2022. Public Counsel does not oppose the discovery cut-off date and all subsequent dates in the schedule Staff filed be extended by a like number of days, but does not propose that they be changed.

Respectfully,

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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 all counsel of record this 2nd day of December 2021.

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