BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)	
Company's Submission of its 2012 RES	j j	File No. EO-2012-0336
Compliance Plan	Ś	

MOTION FOR ADDITIONAL TIME

In accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.080, The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire" or "the Company") hereby requests a one day extension to file its response to the comments of the various other parties regarding the Company's 2012 RES Compliance Plan.

At the time the Commission issued its June 20, 2012, order directing Empire to file its response no later than July 2, 2012, the undersigned counsel was away from his office on a trip from which he did not return until June 26, 2012. Because of that absence, Empire is concerned that its counsel will not be able to complete his review of the parties' comments and prepare a thorough response within the timeframe prescribed in the Commission's order. Therefore, the Company, requests an extension of one day, until July 3, 2012, to file its response to those comments.

Empire does not believe granting its request for additional time will prejudice any other party to the case or unduly delay the Commission's consideration of this matter.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated herein, the Company requests the Commission issue an order extending to July 3, 2012, the date for Empire's response.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was served, via e-mail, on counsel for each of parties of record on the 27th day of June, 2012.

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