

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

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)
Company of Joplin, Missouri for Authority)
to File Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric)
Service Provided to Customers in the Missouri)
Service Area of the Company.)

Case No. ER-2008-0093

PUBLIC COUNSEL’S RECOMMENDATIONS
REGARDING TEST YEAR AND TRUE-UP

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel (“Public Counsel”) and for its Recommendations Regarding Test Year and True-up states as follows:

1. On October 1, 2007, The Empire District Electric Company filed a general rate case. As part of its filing, Empire proposes a June 30, 2007 test year and a true-up period through December 31, 2007.
2. On October 3, 2007, the Commission issued an order directing Public Counsel and other parties to respond to The Empire District Electric Company’s test year and true-up proposals.
3. Public Counsel has no objection to either Empire’s proposed test year, or its proposed true-up date.

WHEREFORE, Public Counsel respectfully offers these recommendations regarding test year and true-up.

Respectfully submitted,

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