

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

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric )  
Company d/b/a Liberty (Empire) for Authority )  
to Implement Rate Adjustments Related to ) **File No. ER-2024-0118**  
the Company’s Fuel and Purchase Power ) **Tariff No. JE-2024-0043**  
Adjustment (FAC) Required in )  
20 CSR 4240-20.090 )

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric )  
Company d/b/a Liberty (Empire) ) **File No. EO-2024-0119**  
Fuel Adjustment Clause (FAC) True-Up )  
)

**ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND SETTING DEADLINES FOR  
INTERVENTION APPLICATIONS AND STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION**

Issue Date: September 29, 2023

Effective Date: September 29, 2023

On September 29, 2023, The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty (Liberty) submitted direct testimony and a revised tariff sheet proposing a revised fuel adjustment rate and bearing an effective date of December 1, 2023. Also on September 29, 2023, Liberty initiated a rate adjustment true-up, to be included in the proposed fuel adjustment rate.

Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090 provides a 60-day timeline for resolution of these rate adjustment mechanism proceedings. The Commission will direct notice be given and set a deadline for intervention applications. The Commission will also direct Staff to file recommendations in both cases, as required by 20 CSR 4240-20.090.

Parties to Liberty’s most recent general rate proceeding in which the Commission established, continued, or modified the electric utility’s rate adjustment mechanism are

automatically parties to these proceedings without application for intervention, pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-20.090(17). Thus, the parties to File No. ER-2021-0312 are parties to these cases.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Commission's Data Center shall add the parties to File No. ER-2021-0312 to the service list for these cases, and shall provide a copy of this order to those parties.

2. The Commission's Data Center shall provide notice of this order to the County Commissions for each county in Liberty's service territory.

3. The Commission's Public Policy and Outreach Department shall provide notice of this order to news media serving residents in Liberty's service territory

4. Applications for intervention shall be filed no later than October 16, 2023.

5. No later than October 30, 2023,<sup>1</sup> the Staff of the Commission shall file recommendations reporting Staff's examination and analysis of Liberty's application and tariff sheet in these two cases, as provided by 20 CSR 4240-20.090(8) and (9).

6. Any response to Liberty's proposed fuel adjustment rate and/or proposed true-up amount from the Office of the Public Counsel and other parties shall be filed no later than November 9, 2023, as provided by 20 CSR 4240-20.090(8) and (9).

7. This order shall be effective when issued.

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<sup>1</sup> The rule provides Staff's recommendation is due 30 days after Liberty's September 29, 2023 filing, which is Sunday, October 29, 2023.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

*Nancy Dippell*

Nancy Dippell  
Secretary

Ronald D. Pridgin, Deputy Chief  
Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant to  
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.

**STATE OF MISSOURI**

**OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.



*Nancy Dippell*  
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Nancy Dippell  
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**MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**September 29, 2023**

**File/Case No. ER-2024-0118 and EO-2024-0119**

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***Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).***

*Sincerely,*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy Dippell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Nancy Dippell  
Secretary**

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