

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of The)
Empire District Electric Company for a) File No. EA-2019-0118
Certificate of Convenience and Necessity)
Related to its Customer Savings Plan)

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE, SETTING INTERVENTION DEADLINE, AND SETTING TIME FOR RESPONSES

Issue Date: November 19, 2018

Effective Date: November 19, 2018

On November 18, 2018, The Empire District Electric Company filed an application with the Commission seeking an order granting a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) pursuant to section 393.170, RSMo 2016, and Commission Rules 4 CSR 240-2.060 and 4 CSR 240-3.105. The CCN would authorize Empire to acquire an interest in a holding company that owns the company that will be constructing and installing a wind project in Neosho County, Kansas, comprising approximately 300 megawatts of wind generation. In addition, the CCN would authorize Empire to own, operate, maintain, and otherwise control and manage the wind project.

Empire states that this project is the result of a related proceeding before the Commission in File No. EO-2018-0092. Empire also filed a motion to consolidate this certificate request with its currently pending CCN request for wind projects in Missouri (File No. EA-2019-0010). Further, Empire requested a protective order pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.135.

The Commission will provide notice of the application to interested parties and set a deadline for intervention requests. If no party requests a hearing, the Commission

may determine that a hearing is not necessary for a determination of the application.¹

The Commission will also set a time for responses to the motion to consolidate and the motion for a protective order.² Interested potential intervenors may file responses to the motion for a protective order without having been made parties to this proceeding.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Data Center shall provide a copy of this order to the parties in File Nos. EA-2019-0010 and EO-2018-0092.

2. Any person wishing to intervene in this matter shall file an application to intervene no later than December 10, 2018. The application shall be filed in the Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System (EFIS) or with the Secretary of the Commission.

3. Responses to the Motion for Protective Order shall be filed no later than November 28, 2018, and may be submitted by entities or persons not yet granted intervention.

4. Responses to the Motion to Consolidate shall be filed no later than November 28, 2018.

5. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

¹ *State ex rel. Deffenderfer v. Public Service Commission*, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989).

² Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.135(3)(B) provides that information designated as confidential in a motion for protective order may be treated as confidential while that motion is pending.

Nancy Dippell, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 19th day of November, 2018.

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 19th day of November 2018.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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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 "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent 'M' and 'W'.

**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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