

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

In the Matter of The Empire District)	<u>Case No. ET-2019-0029</u>
Electric Company's Revised Economic)	Tracking No. JE-2024-0052
Economic Development Rider Tariff Sheets)	

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and for its *Recommendation* in this matter hereby states:

1. On October 31, 2018 the Commission approved a *Stipulation and Agreement* in this case which recommended approval of a tariff sheet modifying The Empire District Electric Company's (Liberty) economic development rider (EDR) approved in a prior rate case (File No. ER-2012-0345). On October 26, 2023, Liberty filed new tariff sheets which would update the EDR to reflect changes made to Section 393.1640, RSMo. On November 16, 2023, Liberty filed substitute tariff sheets to reflect changes recommended by Commission Staff and the Office of the Public Counsel.

These tariff sheets are:

- P.S.C. Mo. No. 6, Sec. 4, 1st Revised Sheet No. 22c;
- P.S.C. Mo. No. 6, Sec. 4, 1st Revised Sheet No. 22d;
- P.S.C. Mo. No. 6, Sec. 4, 1st Revised Sheet No. 22e;
- P.S.C. Mo. No. 6, Sec. 4, 1st Revised Sheet No. 22f;
- P.S.C. Mo. No. 6, Sec. 4, Original Sheet No. 22g; and
- P.S.C. Mo. No. 6, Sec. 4, Original Sheet No. 22h.

2. Staff reviewed these tariff sheets to ensure they are consistent with the stated purpose and the prior *Stipulation and Agreement*. Staff recommends approval of the proposed revised tariff sheets to take effect at the earliest probable date.

WHEREFORE, Staff prays that the Commission will approve Empire's revised tariff sheets bearing tracking number JE-2024-0052 and labeled as P.S.C. Mo. No. 6, Sec. 4, 1st Revised Sheet No. 22c; P.S.C. Mo. No. 6, Sec. 4, 1st Revised Sheet No. 22d; P.S.C. Mo. No. 6, Sec. 4, 1st Revised Sheet No. 22e; P.S.C. Mo. No. 6, Sec. 4, 1st Revised Sheet No. 22f; P.S.C. Mo. No. 6, Sec. 4, Original Sheet No. 22g; and P.S.C. Mo. No. 6, Sec. 4, Original Sheet No. 22h; and grant such other and further relief as the Commission considers just in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail, or First Class United States Postal Mail, postage prepaid, to all parties or their representatives pursuant to the Service List maintained by the Commission's Data Center for this file, on this 17th day of November, 2023.

/s/ Whitney Scurlock

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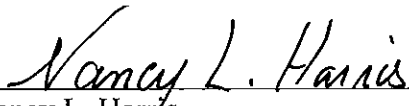
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AFFIDAVIT OF NANCY L. HARRIS

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss
COUNTY OF COLE)

COMES NOW Nancy L. Harris, and on her oath states that she is of sound mind and lawful age; that she contributed to the foregoing *Staff Recommendation*; and that the same is true and correct according to her best knowledge and belief.

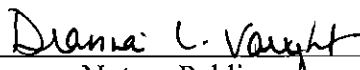
Further the Affiant sayeth not.



Nancy L. Harris

JURAT

Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this 17th day of November 2023.



Notary Public

DIANNA L. VAUGHT
Notary Public - Notary Seal
State of Missouri
Commissioned for Cole County
My Commission Expires: July 18, 2027
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