# 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-2019-0010
Certificates of Convenience and Necessity	)
Related to Wind Generation Facilities	)

### ORDER SETTING TIME FOR RESPONSES

Issue Date: April 9, 2019 Effective Date: April 9, 2019

On April 5, 2019, The Empire District Electric Company (Empire), Midwest Energy Consumers Group ("MECG"), Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, Renew Missouri Advocates, and Missouri Department of Economic Development – Division of Energy (collectively, the "Signatories") filed a *Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement*. The Signatories indicated that the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC), Sierra Club, and National Resources Defense Council all affirmatively stated they had no objection to the agreement. The Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel) has not specifically objected to the agreement and the Commission proceeded with its scheduled hearing on April 8-9, 2019.

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.115 states, in part, that the parties shall have seven days to object to the filing of a nonunanimous stipulation and agreement. If no objection is filed, the rule states that the agreement may be treated as unanimous. In accordance with the rule, the Commission sets a deadline for objections to the nonunanimous stipulation and agreement. Additionally, the Commission will direct Public Counsel to expressly state whether it has an objection to the agreement.

Also on April 5, 2019, Empire and MDC filed a *Stipulation and Agreement Concerning Wildlife Issues*. The wildlife agreement stated that none of the other parties objected. The Commission will also set a time for any objections to that agreement in accordance with the rule.

### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Any objections to the *Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement* filed on April 5, 2019, shall be filed no later than April 12, 2019.
- 2. Any objections to the *Stipulation and Agreement Concerning Wildlife Issues* field on April 5, 2019, shall be filed no later than April 12, 2019.
- 3. The Office of the Public Counsel shall file a document stating whether it objects to the *Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement*.
  - 4. This order is effective when issued.

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BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff

Secretary

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.

### 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 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2019.

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# MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION April 9, 2019

#### File/Case No. EA-2019-0010

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

Sincerely,

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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