

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of The Empire District )  
Electric Company, The Empire District Gas Company, )  
Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp., and )  
Liberty Utilities (Missouri Water) LLC for an Affiliate )  
Transactions Rule Variance. )

**File No. AO-2018-0179**

## ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR ADDITIONAL TIME, ORDER GRANTING EXPEDITED TREATMENT AND ORDER SETTING HEARING

Issue Date: April 18, 2019

Effective Date: April 18, 2019

On April 17, 2019, the above-referenced applicants filed a Motion for Additional Time, Request for Expedited Treatment, and Request for Ruling (“Motion”). The motion states that position statements are currently due on April 18, 2019. Because the applicants and the Office of the Public Counsel disagree on what issues the Commission should resolve, the applicants ask the Commission to delay the due date of position statements until after the Commission determines what issues should be tried.

The Commission finds the motion reasonable, and will grant it in part. If the parties disagree on the issues the Commission should resolve, the parties may state in their position statements why the Commission should not resolve a certain issue or issues. The Commission will further reschedule this case for hearing.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Request for Expedited Treatment is granted.
2. The Motion for Additional Time is granted.
3. The remainder of the procedural schedule is set as follows:

Statements of Position June 13, 2019

Evidentiary Hearing June 27, 2019

Briefs July 18, 2019

4. The Commission shall hold an evidentiary on June 27, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. It shall be held at the Commission's office at the Governor Office Building, Room 310, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. This building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need additional accommodations to participate in this hearing, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearing.

5. This order shall be effective when issued.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

*Morris L. Woodruff*

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Secretary

Ronald D. Pridgin, Deputy Chief Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.

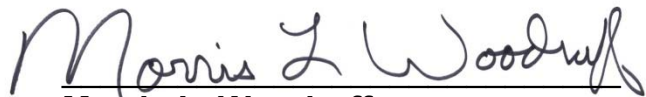
**STATE OF MISSOURI**

**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 18<sup>th</sup> day of April 2019.**



  
**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,***



**Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary**

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