

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

Lonnie Freeman,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	<u>Case No. EC-2024-0160</u>
)	
The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a)	
Liberty,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

MOTION FOR EXTENSION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”), by and through the undersigned counsel, and for its *Motion for Extension* respectfully states:

1. On November 7, 2023, Lonnie Freeman (“Complainant”) filed a formal complaint (“Complaint”) against The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty (“Respondent”).

2. The Commission issued its *Notice of Complaint and Order Directing Answer* on November 8, 2023. The Commission ordered Respondent to file an Answer to the Complaint no later than December 8, 2023, and directed Staff to conduct an investigation of the Complaint and file a report or a request for more time no later than December 22, 2023.

3. Respondent filed its Answer to the Complaint on December 8, 2023.

4. Staff is still conducting its investigation, and respectfully requests that the Commission grant an extension to file Staff’s report through January 19, 2024, per Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.070(15)(D).

WHEREFORE, Staff prays that the Commission will grant this *Motion for Extension* and issue an order setting a new deadline for Staff to file its report no later than January 19, 2024, and such other and further relief as the Commission deems just in these circumstances.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel of record this 20th day of December, 2023.

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