

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company)
of Joplin, Missouri for Authority to File Tariffs Increasing) File No. ER-2011-0004
Rates for Electric Service Provided to Customers in the) Tariff No. YE-2011-0154
Missouri Service Area of the Company)

NOTICE AND ORDER SETTING ON-THE-RECORD PROCEEDING

Issue Date: May 24, 2011

Effective Date: May 24, 2011

The parties anticipate filing a stipulation and agreement (“Agreement”) that resolves all issues in this matter on May 27, 2011. Because of the timing of the Commission’s Agenda sessions in relation to the filing of the Agreement and the anticipated dates for tariff filings, the Commission will set an on-the-record proceeding for presentation of the Agreement. Once the Agreement is filed, and the Commission has an opportunity to review the Agreement, it may decide to cancel the proceeding.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission will hold an on-the-record proceeding on Tuesday, May 31, 2011, beginning at 11:00 a.m. The proceeding will be held in Room 310 at the Commission’s offices in the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, a building that meets the accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person requiring additional accommodations to participate in this prehearing conference shall call the Public Service Commission’s Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 or dial Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the conference.

2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

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Harold Stearley, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 24th day of May, 2011.