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# **MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

## FINANCIAL & BUSINESS ANALYSIS DIVISION

## AUDITING DEPARTMENT

## **REBUTTAL TESTIMONY**

#### OF

## **KIMBERLY K. BOLIN**

# THE EMPIRE DISTRICT ELECTRIC COMPANY, d/b/a Liberty

### CASE NOS. EO-2022-0040/EO-2022-0193

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7	Q.	Please state your name and business address.
8	А.	My name is Kimberly K. Bolin. My business address is P.O. Box 360, Suite 440,
9	Jefferson Cit	y, MO 65102.
10	Q.	By whom are you employed and in what capacity?
11	А.	I am the Director of the Financial and Business Analysis Division for the
12	Missouri Pub	olic Service Commission ("Commission").
13	Q.	Please describe your educational background and work experience.
14	А.	I graduated from Central Missouri State University (now University of
15	Central Miss	ouri) in Warrensburg, Missouri, with a Bachelor of Science in Business
16	Administratio	on, major emphasis in Accounting, in May 1993. Before coming to work at the
17	Commission,	, I was employed by the Missouri Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC") as a
18	Public Utility	Accountant from September 1994 to April 2005. I commenced employment with
19	the Commiss	ion in April 2005.
20	Q.	What was the nature of your job duties when you were employed by OPC?
21	А.	I was responsible for performing audits and examinations of the books and
22	records of pu	blic utilities operating within the state of Missouri.
23	Q.	Have you previously filed testimony before the Commission?
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A. Yes, numerous times. Please refer to Schedule KKB-r1, attached to this
 Rebuttal Testimony, for a list of the major audits in which I have assisted and filed testimony
 with OPC and with the Commission.
 O. What knowledge, skills, experience, training and education do you have in the

Q. What knowledge, skills, experience, training and education do you have in the
areas of which you are testifying as an expert witness?

A. I have received continuous training at in-house and outside seminars on
technical ratemaking matters, both when employed by OPC and since I began my employment
at the Commission. I have been employed by this Commission or by OPC as a Regulatory
Auditor for over 25 years, and have submitted testimony on ratemaking matters numerous times
before the Commission. I have also been responsible for the supervision of other Commission
employees in rate cases and other regulatory proceedings.

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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

A. The purpose of my testimony is to respond to certain calculations made by
The Empire District Electric Company, d/b/a Liberty's ("Liberty") witness Charlotte T. Emery
in her direct testimony concerning the securitization request for Energy Transition Costs related
to the retirement of the Asbury plant. My testimony will also explain Staff's position related to
the 95%/5% sharing mechanism applicable to Winter Storm Uri costs. Finally, I address the
direct testimony of Liberty witness Katrina T. Niehaus concerning the return of investment
earnings on the capital subaccount.

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WINTER STORM URI AAO

2 Q. Under normal circumstances would Liberty include 95% of its fuel and 3 purchased power costs in Liberty's Fuel Adjustment Clause (FAC)? 4 A. Yes. However, due to the extraordinary amount of the fuel and purchased power 5 it incurred in February 2021 due to Winter Storm Uri, Liberty sought to defer 95% of the fuel 6 and purchased power costs associated with this event and did not propose to include this amount 7 in the FAC. 8 Q. Did Liberty request an Accounting Authority Order (AAO) to track and defer, 9 to a regulatory asset, the costs associated with Winter Storm Uri? 10 A. Yes. Instead of including 95% of the total fuel and purchased power costs for 11 February 2021 in Liberty's Fuel Adjustment Clause (FAC) as would be the normal practice, 12 Liberty filed a request for an AAO in Case No. EU-2021-0274 seeking recovery of the amount 13 excluded from the FAC and the additional following costs: 14 1) The remaining 5% of fuel and purchased power costs from February 2021; 15 2) carrying costs applied to the total amount of Winter Storm Uri costs at Liberty's weighted average cost of capital; and 16 17 3) other costs specially related to Winter Storm URI, including outside legal 18 fees. 19 Q. Did the Commission grant Liberty its requested AAO for the Winter Storm Uri 20 costs? 21 A. No, Case No. EU-2021-0274 is still pending. Liberty ultimately will not need to 22 defer the portion of any costs covered by a financing order in this securitization case to an AAO.

1	Q.	What is an accounting authority order (AAO)?
2	А.	An AAO is an accounting mechanism that permits deferral of costs from one
3	period to and	other. The items deferred are booked as an asset rather than an expense, thus
4	improving th	e financial picture of the utility in question during the deferral period. During a
5	subsequent ra	te case, the Commission determines what portion, if any, of the deferred amounts
6	will be recover	ered in rates
7	Q.	If Liberty is not allowed to securitize Winter Storm Uri costs and is granted an
8	AAO instead	how would Liberty recover the costs?
9	А.	In Liberty's next general rate proceeding, Liberty would likely ask to recover
10	the amounts	deferred in customer rates. At that time, the amortization period and final costs
11	(including ca	rrying costs) would be determined if the recovery request is granted.
12	Q.	What would be an appropriate amortization period for this deferral in the context
13	of AAO treat	ment?
14	А.	Staff would probably recommend at least ten years, due to the magnitude of
15	the costs.	
16	Q.	Would Staff recommend carrying cost be allowed?
17	А.	With amortization period being at least 10 years, Staff would possibly
18	recommend c	arrying costs be applied to the deferral at the applicable short-term debt rate or the
19	long-term del	ot rate.
20	Q.	Would Staff recommend recovery of the 5% of the fuel and purchased power in
21	rates subsequ	ent to an AAO?
22	А.	No. If Liberty were granted an AAO instead of securitization for the entirely of
23	the Winter St	orm Uri costs, in a future rate proceeding Staff would likely recommend that only

1	95% of the fuel and purchased power costs be allowed recovery in rates. Staff believes that by
2	not allowing the 5% of the fuel and purchased power costs that this reflects an appropriate
3	"sharing" the financial impact of Winter Storm Uri.
4	Q. Why should extraordinary costs associated with "acts of God," such as Winter
5	Storm Uri, be "shared" between ratepayers and shareholders?
6	A. The risk of extraordinary unforeseen events should not be borne by the
7	customers entirely. To do this would insulate the utility from all risk of an unanticipated event
8	such as a natural disaster.
9	Q. Has the Commission reflected the "sharing" of the financial impact of natural
10	disaster extraordinary events in the past?
11	A. Yes. In Case No. WR-95-145 involving St. Louis County Water Company's
12	(SLCWC) unamortized flood deferrals (SLCWC is now part of Missouri-American Water
13	Company), the Commission noted that including the unamortized balance in rate base would
14	shield the shareholders from the risk of a natural disaster while imposing the risk entirely on
15	the ratepayers. The Commission opined in that case that allowing SLCWC to recover the cost
16	through amortization without including the unamortized balance in rate base allowed both the
17	ratepayers and the shareholders to share in the risk. This regulatory treatment has been
18	commonly accepted by the Commission for other AAOs associated with natural disasters.
19	In this case, which is not an AAO application, excluding the 5% of fuel and purchased power
20	costs from the securitization request while also allowing carrying costs to be accrued on
21	the amounts will effectively "share" the impact of Winter Storm Uri between Liberty and
22	its customers.

Q. Are other Staff witnesses also addressing rate treatment for the 5% of fuel and
 purchased power costs in this case?

A. Yes. Please also refer to Brooke Mastrogiannis' rebuttal testimony in this case detailing how the 5% of Winter Storm Uri fuel and purchased power costs would not be included in customer rates through the FAC if Liberty had sought normal regulatory treatment of the storm costs under that rate mechanism.

Q. How does Staff recommend that Liberty account for differences between the
qualified extraordinary costs approved for securitization in this case, if any, with the actual
qualified extraordinary costs incurred by Liberty once all current and future Winter Storm Uri
extraordinary costs and revenues are known and measurable?

A. Staff recommends these differences be accounted for consistent with the Securitization Statute. Sections 2. (1)(g) and 2. (3)(c)k of the Statute require a future ratemaking process to reconcile any differences between the costs securitized by the utility tariff bonds and the final securitized costs incurred by the electrical corporation be reconciled. Staff recommends that Empire be ordered to track any expenses or revenues (possible settlements) and include these amounts in a regulatory asset or liability for future recovery or return to the ratepayers.

Q. Would such a subsequent ratemaking mechanism affect the amount of
securitized utility bonds or associated securitized utility charges paid by customers?

A. No.

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# 21 **DECOMMISSIONING COSTS**

Q. Has Liberty included any decommissioning costs in its Asbury transition costs
which it seeks to securitize?

1	А.	Yes. Liberty included \$12,400,000 (Total Company) <sup>1</sup> of the decommissioning			
2	costs for phase 2 and phase 3 of Liberty's decommissioning plan for Asbury.				
3	Q.	Are these costs projected or actual at this time?			
4	А.	They are projected. Liberty's proposed decommissioning costs are based upon			
5	estimates prov	vided by Black and Veatch <sup>2</sup> .			
6	Q.	What are the costs estimates for phase 2 of the demolition plan?			
7	А.	The estimate cost for phase 2 is \$4,000,000 (Total Company). <sup>3</sup> Phase 2 includes			
8	the developm	ent of work plant, schedules, engineering plans and specifications, etc. <sup>4</sup> Liberty			
9	anticipates the	at Phase 2 of the demolition plan will be complete by the 2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2022. <sup>5</sup>			
10	А.	What are the cost estimates for phase 3 of the demolition plan?			
11	А.	The estimated cost for phase 3 is ** <b>Contract of</b> ** (Total Company) net of			
12	salvage value	and owner's costs. <sup>6</sup> Phase 3 includes the finalization of bid documents, revision			
13	of cost estimation	ates, bid administration, construction management, demolition of the facilities,			
14	etc. <sup>7</sup> Liberty	anticipates that phase 3 of the demolition plan will be completed in 2024. <sup>8</sup>			
15	Q.	What estimated cost did Liberty include in its Asbury securitized balance for			
16	phase 2 and p	hase 3?			

<sup>1</sup> \$10,977,268 (Missouri jurisdictional).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Attached to Empire witness Drew W. Landoll's Direct testimony in this case is a copy of the Asbury Station Demolition/Decommission Costs (Direct Schedule DWL-2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> \$3,541,054 (Missouri jurisdictional).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Direct testimony of Drew W. Landoll in Case No. EO-2022-0193, pg. 10, lines 4-6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Direct testimony of Drew W. Landoll in Case No. EO-2022-0193, pg 10, lines 6-8.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Page 8 of Direct Schedule DWL-2 attached to the Direct Testimony of Drew W. Landoll in Case No EO-2022-0193.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Direct testimony of Drew W. Landoll in Case No. EO-2022-0193, pg. 10, lines 10-12.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Direct testimony of Drew W. Landoll in Case No. EO-2022-0193, pg. 10, lines 12-14.

Liberty included \$4,000,000 (Total Company) for phase 2 and \$8,400,000 1 A. 2 (Total Company) for phase 3. Liberty's total for demolition costs does not reflect any salvage 3 value that Liberty will receive for the demolished assets. What does Staff recommend including for the demolition costs in the securitized 4 Q. 5 balance? 6 A. Staff is proposing to include \$4,000,000 (Total Company) for phase 2 costs and \$\*\* \*\* for phase 3 costs. Staff believes that phase 3 costs should reflect the salvage 7 8 value that Liberty expects to receive to offset the demolition costs. 9 Q. Why is Staff recommending rate recovery of decommissioning costs on an 10 estimated basis in this proceeding? 11 A. Section 1. (7)(a) of the Securitization Statute includes the costs of 12 decommissioning and restoring the site of the electric generating facility as an item to include 13 in the energy transition costs. Staff has reviewed the study conducted by Black and Veatch 14 and is comfortable with the level of detailed support provided in the estimates of the decommission costs. 15 16 Q. How does Staff recommend that Liberty account for differences between the 17 energy transition costs approved for securitization in this case, if any, with the actual energy 18 transition costs incurred by Liberty once all decommissioning costs are known and measurable? 19 A. Staff recommends these differences be accounted for consistent with the 20 Securitization Statute. Sections 2.(1)(g) and 2.(3)(c)k of the Statute require a future ratemaking 21 process to reconcile any differences between the costs securitized by the utility tariff bonds and 22 the final securitized costs incurred by the electrical corporation be reconciled. Staff

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   regulatory asset for future recovery or return to the ratepayers.
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  securitized utility bonds or associated securitized utility charges paid by customers?
- 5
- A. No.
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# ASSET RETIREMENT OBLIGATIONS

Q. What is an Asset Retirement Obligation (ARO)?

A. An ARO is an obligation, legal or non-legal, associated with the retirement of a
tangible, long-lived asset for the cost of returning a piece of property to its original condition.
Retirement obligations can be recognized either when the asset is placed in service or during
the operational life when its removal obligation is incurred.

- Q. Did Liberty include AROs for asbestos and Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR)
  impoundment in its proposed securitization balance for the retirement of Asbury?
- A. Yes. Liberty included AROs in the amount of \$21,281,070 (Missouri
  jurisdictional) for these items.
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Q. Has Staff included the AROs in its Asbury securitized balance?

A. No. AROs represent one component of costs that are considered in determining
the cost of removal component of utility depreciation rates. Cost of removal is allowed to be
collected in rates on an ongoing basis in order for the utilities to recover over time the estimated
costs of "removing" assets once they are retired and no longer needed to provide service to
customers. In addition, the amounts provided by Liberty for AROs are estimated and Liberty
has not provided any documentation that supports the estimation.

Q. Does that mean that Liberty will not recover AROs?
 A. No. Liberty will have the opportunity to recover the AROs actually incurred in
 a future ratemaking process. Section 2.(1)(c) and 2.(3)(c)k of the statue allow an electrical
 corporation to pursue costs not included in the securitized balance in a separate proceeding such
 as a rate case.

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## ADIT AND EXCESS ADIT

Q. What treatment of Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes (ADIT) associated with
a retired coal plant is required under the Securitization Law?

A. Section 2. (3) (m) of the Securitization Statute states that a financing order must provide a customer credit, based on the "net present value of the tax benefits, calculated using a discount rate equal to the expected interest rate of the securitized utility tariff bonds, for the estimated accumulated and excess deferred income taxes at the time of securitization including timing differences created by the issuance of securitized utility tariff bonds amortized over the period of the bonds multiplied by the expected interest rate on such securitized utility tariff bonds."

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Q. What is value of the ADIT associated with the retired Asbury plant?

A. Liberty's valuation of the ADIT has a value of \$36,480,831. This is based upon
Liberty's recommended level of Asbury retirement costs to securitize of \$157,203,887. Staff's
valuation of the ADIT is based upon its recommended level of Asbury retirement costs to
securitize of \$94,462,866. The differences between Liberty and Staff's retirement costs result
from differing levels of demolition costs, the AROs and the AAO liability recommended by
each party.

What level of ADIT calculated on a net present value (NPV) basis has Liberty 1 Q. 2 included as an offset in the Asbury Energy Transition Cost Balance? 3 A. Liberty included \$4,747,535 as an offset to the Asbury Energy Transition Cost 4 Balance. Liberty calculated the NPV by taking their ADIT balance of \$36,480,831 and dividing 5 this amount by 13 years (Liberty's proposed recovery period) and subtracting this amount from 6 the balance every year. Liberty then multiplied the yearly ending balances of the ADIT by 7 the estimated securitization yield rate of 2.47%. Liberty then calculated the NPV value of 8 these amounts. 9 Q. Did Liberty calculate this amount correctly? 10 A. No. Liberty's calculation effectively and inappropriately discounts the ADIT 11 twice. Liberty's valuation of the NPV of the ADIT amount of \$36,480,831 should have resulted 12 in a calculated NPV offset of \$30,831,327. As described above Liberty discounted the yearly 13 amounts related to the remaining balance of ADIT, and then discounted the sum of the yearly 14 amounts again. 15 Q. What is Staff's calculated offset for ADIT? 16 A. Staff's calculated offset for ADIT is \$22,306,686. Staff's ADIT was calculated 17 based upon Staff's Asbury retirement costs. Staff's ADIT is lower because Staff did not 18 include AROs in it retirement costs, had lower amounts of decommissioning costs and Staff's 19 calculation of the AAO liability for Asbury was higher than Liberty's calculation. 20 Q. Based upon Staff's recommended ADIT level of \$22,306,686 what would be the 21 NPV of ADIT offset?

1	А.	Staff recommends that the NPV of ADIT offset should be \$17,134,363.
2	Q.	What amount of Excess ADIT did Liberty include in its proposed Asbury Energy
3	Transition Cos	sts as an offset?
4	А.	Liberty included \$12,177,195 (Missouri Jurisdictional).
5	Q.	What amount of Excess ADIT does Staff propose be used as offset?
6	А.	Staff recommends using \$12,313,459. After discussions with Liberty and upon
7	further review	of the calculation, Liberty has noted that it inadvertently made an error within
8	its true-up calo	culation for Excess ADIT. <sup>9</sup>
9	INTEREST B	EARNED CAPITAL SUBACCOUNT
10	Q.	How does Liberty propose to treat earned income on any reserve or capital
	_	How does Liberty propose to treat earned income on any reserve of capital
11	account?	
12	А.	Liberty Witness Niehaus proposes, "all amounts in the Capital Subaccount
13	should be retur	rned to the shareholders of Liberty." <sup>10</sup> Also in Liberty's proposed draft financing
14	order Liberty	states, "Upon payment of the principal amount of all securitized utility tariff
15	bonds and the	discharge of all obligations that may be paid by use of securitized utility tariff
16	charges, all a	mounts in the capital subaccount, including any investment earnings, will be
17	released to Bo	ondCo for payment to Liberty. Investment earnings in this subaccount may be
18	released earlie	er in accordance with the indenture.'
19	Q.	Does Staff support this proposal?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Response to OPC Data Request 1301 in Case No. EO-2022-0193.
<sup>10</sup> Direct testimony of Katrina A. Niehaus in Case No. EO-2022-0040, pg. 15, lines 21-23; Direct testimony of Katrina A. Niehaus in Case No. EO-2022-0040; pg. 15, lines 18-20.

A. No. Section 393.1700.2(3)(c) of the Securitization Statute Allowing Liberty to 1 2 also recover all earned interest earned on amounts it contributed would allow Liberty to earn a return in excess of that authorized by the statute. The Commission should order Liberty to 3 4 include in a general rate proceeding a credit to customers to account for any investment earnings returned to the Liberty from this capital subaccount. 5

Does this conclude your rebuttal testimony?

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Yes. A.

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#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

#### **OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Petition of The Empire	)	
District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty to	)	Case No. EO-2022-0040
Obtain a Financing Order that Authorizes the	)	
Issuance of Securitized Utility Tariff Bonds	)	
for Qualified Extraordinary Costs	)	
In the Matter of the Petition of The Empire	)	
District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty to	)	
Obtain a Financing Order that Authorizes the	)	Case No. EO-2022-0193
Issuance of Securitized Utility Tariff Bonds	)	
for Energy Transition Costs Related to the	)	
Asbury Plant	>	

SS.

#### **AFFIDAVIT OF KIMBERLY K. BOLIN**

#### STATE OF MISSOURI ) ) COUNTY OF COLE )

**COMES NOW KIMBERLY K. BOLIN** and on her oath declares that she is of sound mind and lawful age; that she contributed to the foregoing *Rebuttal Testimony of Kimberly K. Bolin;* and that the same is true and correct according to her best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.

DIANNA L. VAUGHT Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for Cole County

My Commission Expires: July 18, 2023 Commission Number: 15207377

KIMBERLY K<sup>®</sup> BOLIN

#### 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  $1 + \frac{1}{2}$  day of May, 2022.

Diana: L. Vayout Notary Public

<u>Company Name</u>	Case Number	<u>Testimony/Issues</u>	Contested or Settled
Ozarks Medical Center vs. Summit Natural Gas of Missouri, Inc.	GC-2022-0158	<u><b>Rebuttal</b></u> – Accounting Authority Order	Pending
The Empire District Gas Company	GR-2021-0320	<b><u>Direct</u></b> – Excess ADIT and Tax Tracker	Settled
The Empire District Electric Company	EU-2021-0274	<u><b>Rebuttal</b></u> – Winter Storm Uri AAO	Pending
The Empire District Electric Company	ER-2021-0312	Cost of Service Report– ARO,Amortization of Excess ADIT, RegulatoryLag and Risk MitigationRebuttal– Business Risk, Paygo, AROs,Transmission TrackerSurrebuttal- Non-FAC Wind Revenues,ADIT and Excess ADIT, Iatan/PCBEnvironmental Costs, Market PriceProtection Mechanism, Winter Storm Uri	Settled
Ameren Missouri	ER-2021-0240	Cost of Service Report – COVID-19 AAO Cost Recovery, Rate Switching Tracker, Allocation Factors, Company Owned Life Insurance, Equity Issuance Costs, Tracker Mechanisms Proposals Policy <u>Surrebuttal</u> – Normalization of COVID-19 Costs, Allocations, AMI Software	Settled
Ameren Missouri	GR-2021-0241	Cost of Service Report - COVID-19 AAO Cost Recovery, AMI-Software, Allocation Factors Surrebuttal – Normalization of COVID-19 Costs, AMI Software	Settled
Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West	ET-2021-0151	<u><b>Rebuttal Report</b></u> – Accounting	Contested
Spire Missouri	GR-2021-0108	<u>Cost of Service Report</u> – COVID-19 AAO Recovery <u>Surrebuttal</u> – Trackers	Settled

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			or Settled
Missouri-American Water Company	WR-2020-0344	<u>Cost of Service Report</u> – Future Test Year, Credit Card Fee Expense, Amortization of Excess ADIT, COVID-19 AAO Recovery <u>Rebuttal</u> – Future Test Year, COVID-19 AAO Recovery, Amortization of Excess ADIT, Affiliate Transactions, AFUDC Rate <u>Surrebuttal</u> – Future Test Year, COVID-19 AAO, Tax Cut and Jobs Act of 2017,	Settled
		Outside Services, COVID Impacts on	
		Revenue	
Spire Missouri, Inc.	GU-2020-0376	<u><b>Rebuttal</b></u> – Accounting Authority Order, Lost Revenues	Settled
Evergy Metro, Inc., d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West	EU-2020-0350	Rebuttal – Accounting Authority Order, Lost Revenue, Carrying Costs	Contested
Empire District Electric Company	ER-2020-0311	<u>Rebuttal</u> – Coal Inventory Adjustment <u>Surrebuttal</u> – Coal Inventory Adjustment	Settled
Empire District Electric Company	ER-2019-0374	DirectOverview of Staff's FilingCost of Service Report– ExecutiveOverview, Test year/True-Up Period,Vegetation Management TrackerRegulatory Asset, Iatan and Plum PointCarrying Costs, Stub Period TaxCut/Removal of Tax Impact, Tornado AAO,Rate Case Expense Sharing, Credit CardFees, Clearing AccountsRebuttal- Asset Retirement Obligations,AAO and Tracker Policy, AffiliateTransactionsSurrebuttal/True-Up- UnamortizedBalance of Joplin AAO, Credit Card Fees,Payroll Test year, Rate Case ExpenseSharing, LED Lighting, Low-Income PilotProgram Amortization, AffiliateTransactionsSupplemental- Jurisdictional Allocations,Rate Case Expense, Management Expense,Pension and OPEBs, Affiliate Transactions,Software Maintenance	Contested

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			or Settled
Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Co., Inc.	WA-2019-0299	<u>Surrebuttal</u> – Quality of Service <u>Direct</u> – Net Book Value of Plant	Contested
Osage Utility Operating Co., Inc.	WA-2019-0185	Surrebuttal – Rate Base, Acquisition Incentive	Contested
Spire Inc.	GO-2019-0115 and GO-2019- 116	Staff Direct Report – Blanket Work Orders and Current Income Taxes	Contested
Empire District Electric Company and Liberty Utilities	AO-2018-0179	<u>Direct</u> – Moneypool <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Moneypool	Contested
Confluence Rivers Utility Operating Company, Inc.	WM-2018-0116 and SM-2018- 0117	<u><b>Direct</b></u> – Rate Base, Roy L Utilities	Settled
Spire Missouri Inc.	GO-2016-0332, GO-2016-0333, GO-2017-0201, GO-2017-0202 GO-2018-0309 and GO-2018- 0310	<u><b>Direct</b></u> – Removal of Plastic Main and Service Line Replacement Costs	Contested
Missouri-American Water Company	WR-2017-0285	Cost of Service Report – Pension/OPEBTracker, FAS 87 Pension Costs, FAS 106OPEBs Costs, Franchise Taxes <b>Rebuttal</b> – Defined Contribution Plan, Cloud Computing, Affiliate Transaction Rule (Water Utility)Surrebuttal – Rate Case Expense	Settled
Missouri-American Water Company	WO-2018-0059	<u>Direct</u> – ISRS Overview, Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes, Reconciliation	
Missouri Gas Energy and Laclede Gas Company	GO-2016-0332 and GO-2016- 0333	<b><u>Rebuttal</u></b> – Inclusion of Plastic Main and Service Line Replacements	Contested
Empire District Electric Company/Liberty Utilities	EM-2016-0213	Rebuttal– Overview of Transaction,Ratemaking /Accounting Conditions,Access to RecordsSurrebuttal– OPC RecommendedConditions, SERP	Settled
Hillcrest Utility Operating Company, Inc.	WR-2016-0064	<u><b>Direct</b></u> – Partial Disposition Agreement	Contested

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Empire District Electric Company	ER-2016-0023	Requirement Report– RivertonConversion Project and Asbury Air QualityControl SystemDirect– Overview of Staff's RevenueRequirement Report and Overview ofStaff's Rate Design Filing	Settled
Missouri-American Water Company	WR-2015-0301	Report on Cost of Service – CorporateAllocation, District AllocationsRebuttal – District Allocations, BusinessTransformationSurrebuttal – District Allocations,Business Transformation, Service CompanyCosts	Settled
Empire District Electric Company	ER-2014-0351	Direct– Overview of Staff's FilingRebuttal- ITC Over-Collection, Cost ofRemoval Deferred Tax Amortization, StateFlow-ThroughSurrebuttal– Unamortized Balance ofJoplin Tornado, ITC Over-Collections,Cost of Removal Deferred TaxAmortization, State Flow-Through,Transmission Revenues and Expenses	Settled
Brandco Investments/ Hillcrest Utility Operating Company, Inc.	WO-2014-0340	<b><u>Rebuttal</u></b> – Rate Base and Future Rates	Settled
Lake Region Water & Sewer	WR-2013-0461	Direct– Overview of Staff's FilingReport on Cost of Service– True-Up,Availability Fees, Sewer OperatingExpense, Sewer Equipment MaintenanceExpenseSurrebuttal– Availability FeesTrue-Up Direct– Overview of True-UpAuditTrue-Up Rebuttal– Corrections to True-UpUp	Contested

<b>Company Name</b>	Case Number	Testimony/Issues	Contested
			or Settled
Empire District Electric	ER-2012-0345	Direct- Overview of Staff's Filing	Settled
Company		<b><u>Report on Cost of Service</u></b> – SWPA Hydro	
		Reimbursement, Joplin Tornado AAO	
		Asset, SPP Revenues, SPP Expenses,	
		Regulatory Plan Amortization Impacts,	
		SWPA Amortization, Tornado AAO	
		Amortization	
		<b><u>Rebuttal</u></b> – Unamortized Balance of Joplin	
		Tornado AAO, Rate Case Expense, True-	
		Up and Uncontested Issues	
		<u>Surrebuttal</u> – Unamortized Balance of	
		Joplin Tornado AAO, SPP Transmission	
		Expense, True-Up, Advanced Coal	
		Investment Tax Credit	
Missouri-American	WR-2011-0337	Direct – Overview of Staff's Filing	Settled
Water Company		Report on Cost of Service- True-Up	
		Recommendation, Tank Painting Tracker,	
		Tank Painting Expense	
		<b><u>Rebuttal</u></b> - Tank Painting Expense, Business	
		Transformation	
		Surrebuttal – Tank Painting Tracker,	
	NID 2010 0101	Acquisition Adjustment	
Missouri-American	WR-2010-0131	<b><u>Report on Cost of Service</u></b> - Pension/OPEB	Settled
Water Company		Tracker, Tank Painting Tracker, Deferred	
		Income Taxes, FAS 87 Pension Costs, FAS	
		106 – Other Post-Employment Benefits,	
		Incentive Compensation, Group Insurance	
		and 401(k) Employer Costs, Tank Painting	
		Expense, Dues and Donations, Advertising Expense, Promotional Items, Current and	
		Deferred Income Tax Expense	
Empire District Gas	GR-2009-0434	Report on Cost of Service – Prepaid	Settled
Company	01(-200)-0+34	Pension Asset, Pension Tracker	Settled
Company		Asset/Liability, Unamortized Accounting	
		Authority Order Balances, Pension	
		Expense, OPEBs, Amortization of Stock	
		Issuance Costs, Amortization of Accounting	
		Authority Orders	
		<u>Direct</u> – Overview of Staff's Filing	
Laclede Gas Company	GT-2009-0056	Surrebuttal Testimony- Tariff	Contested
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Company Name	Case Number	Testimony/Issues	<u>Contested</u>
Missouri-American Water Company	WR-2008-0311 & SR-2008-0312	Report on Cost of ServiceTank PaintingTracker, Lobbying Costs, PSC AssessmentDirectOverview of Staff's FilingRebuttalTrue-Up Items, UnamortizedBalance of Security AAO, Tank PaintingExpense, Fire Hydrant Painting ExpenseSurrebuttalUnamortized Balance ofSecurity AAO, Cedar Hill Waste WaterPlant, Tank Painting Expense, Fire HydrantPainting Expense	or Settled Settled
Missouri Gas Utility, Inc.	GR-2008-0060	<b><u>Report on Cost of Service</u></b> – Plant-in Service/Capitalization Policy, Plant-in Service/Purchase Price Valuation, Depreciation Reserve, Revenues, Uncollectible Expense	Settled
Laclede Gas Company	GR-2007-0208	<b><u>Direct</u></b> - Test Year and True-Up, Environmental costs, AAOs, Revenue, Miscellaneous Revenue, Gross receipts Tax, Gas Costs, Uncollectibles, EWCR, AMR, Acquisition Adjustment	Settled
Kansas City Power and Light Company	ER-2006-0314	<b><u>Direct</u></b> - Gross Receipts Tax, Revenues, Weather Normalization, Customer Growth/Loss Annualization, Large Customer Annualization, Other Revenue, Uncollectible (Bad Debt) Expense, Payroll, A&G Salaries Capitalization Ratio, Payroll Taxes, Employer 401 (k) Match, Other Employee Benefits <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Uncollectible (Bad Debt) Expense, Payroll, A&G Salaries Capitalization Ratio, Other Employee Benefits	Contested
Missouri Gas Energy	GR-2006-0204	<b><u>Direct</u></b> - Payroll, Incentive Compensation, Payroll Taxes, Employee Benefits, Lobbying, Customer & Governmental Relations Department, Collections Contract	Settled

Company Name	Case Number	Testimony/Issues	Contested or Settled	
Missouri Gas Energy	GU-2005-0095	<b><u>Rebuttal</u></b> - Accounting Authority Order <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Accounting Authority Order	Contested	
The Empire District Electric Company	ER-2004-0570	Direct- Payroll	Settled	
Missouri American Water Company & Cedar Hill Utility Company	SM-2004-0275	<u><b>Direct</b></u> - Acquisition Premium	Settled	
Missouri Gas Energy	GR-2004-0209	Direct- Safety Line Replacement Program; Environmental Response Fund; Dues & Donations; Payroll; Customer & Governmental Relations Department Disallowance; Outside Lobbyist Costs <u>Rebuttal</u> - Customer Service; Incentive Compensation; Environmental Response Fund; Lobbying/Legislative Costs <u>True-Up</u> - Rate Case Expense	Contested	
Osage Water Company	ST-2003-0562 / WT-2003-0563	Direct- Payroll <u>Rebuttal</u> - Payroll; Lease Payments to Affiliated Company; alleged Legal Requirement of a Reserve	Case Dismissed	
Missouri American Water Company	WR-2003-0500	<u><b>Direct</b></u> - Acquisition Adjustment; Water Treatment Plant Excess Capacity; Retired Treatment Plan; Affiliated Transactions; Security AAO; Advertising Expense; Customer Correspondence	Settled	
Empire District Electric	ER-2002-424	<u>Direct</u> - Dues & Donations; Memberships; Payroll; Security Costs <u>Rebuttal</u> - Energy Traders' Commission <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Energy Traders' Commission	Settled	

<u>Company Name</u>	Case Number	Testimony/Issues	Contested or Settled
Laclede Gas Company	GR-2002-356	Direct-Advertising Expense; SafetyReplacement Program and the CopperService Replacement Program; Dues &Donations Rate Case ExpenseRebuttal-Gas Safety ReplacementProgram / Deferred Income Taxes forAAOs	Settled
Missouri-American Water Company	WO-2002-273	Rebuttal- Accounting Authority Order Cross-Surrebuttal- Accounting Authority Order	Contested
Environmental Utilities	WA-2002-65	Direct- Water Supply Agreement <u>Rebuttal</u> - Certificate of Convenience & Necessity	Contested
Warren County Water & Sewer	WC-2002-160 / SC-2002-155	<b><u>Direct</u></b> - Clean Water Act Violations; DNR Violations; Customer Service; Water Storage Tank; Financial Ability; Management Issues <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Customer Complaints; Poor Management Decisions; Commingling of Regulated & Non-Related Business	Contested
Laclede Gas Company	GR-2001-629	<b><u>Direct</u></b> - Advertising Expense; Safety Replacement Program; Dues & Donations; Customer Correspondence	Settled
Gateway Pipeline Company	GM-2001-585	<b><u>Rebuttal</u></b> - Acquisition Adjustment; Affiliated Transactions; Company's Strategic Plan	Contested
Empire District Electric	ER-2001-299	<u>Direct</u> - Payroll; Merger Expense <u>Rebuttal</u> - Payroll <u>Surrebutta</u> l- Payroll	Settled
Osage Water Company	SR-2000-556/ WR-2000-557	Direct- Customer Service	Contested

<u>Company Name</u>	Case Number	<u>Testimony/Issues</u>	Contested or Settled
St. Louis County Water Company	WR-2000-844	Direct- Main Incident Expense	Settled
Missouri American Water Company	WR-2000-281/ SR-2000-282	Direct- Water Plant Premature Retirement; Rate Case Expense <u>Rebuttal</u> - Water Plant Premature Retirement <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Water Plant Premature Retirement	Contested
Laclede Gas Company	GR-99-315	<u><b>Direct</b></u> - Advertising Expense; Dues & Donations; Miscellaneous Expense; Items to be Trued-up	Contested
St. Joseph Light & Power	HR-99-245	<u>Direct</u> - Advertising Expense; Dues & Donations; Miscellaneous Expense; Items to be Trued-up <u>Rebuttal</u> - Advertising Expense <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Advertising Expense	Settled
St. Joseph Light & Power	ER-99-247	<b><u>Direct</u></b> - Merger Expense; Rate Case Expense; Deferral of the Automatic Mapping/Facility Management Costs <b><u>Rebuttal</u></b> - Merger Expense; Rate Case Expense; Deferral of the Automatic Mapping/Facility Management Costs <u><b>Surrebuttal</b></u> - Merger Expense; Rate Case Expense; Deferral of the Automatic Mapping/Facility Management Costs	Settled
Laclede Gas Company	GR-98-374	<u><b>Direct</b></u> - Advertising Expense; Gas Safety Replacement AAO; Computer System Replacement Costs	Settled
Missouri Gas Energy	GR-98-140	<u><b>Direct</b></u> - Payroll; Advertising; Dues & Donations; Regulatory Commission Expense; Rate Case Expense	Contested

<u>Company Name</u>	Case Number	Testimony/Issues	Contested or Settled
Gascony Water Company, Inc.	WA-97-510	<b><u>Rebuttal</u></b> - Rate Base; Rate Case Expense; Cash Working Capital	Settled
Union Electric Company	GR-97-393	<u><b>Direct</b></u> - Interest Rates for Customer Deposits	Settled
St. Louis County Water Company	WR-97-382	<u><b>Direct</b></u> - Interest Rates for Customer Deposits, Main Incident Expense	Settled
Associated Natural Gas Company	GR-97-272	DirectAcquisition Adjustment; InterestRates for Customer DepositsRebuttalAcquisition Adjustment; InterestRates for Customer DepositsSurrebuttalInterest Rates for CustomerDeposits	Contested
Missouri-American Water Company	WA-97-45	<b><u>Rebuttal</u></b> - Waiver of Service Connection Charges	Contested
Imperial Utility Corporation	SC-96-427	Direct- Revenues, CIAC Surrebuttal- Payroll; Uncollectible Accounts Expense; Rate Case Expense, Revenues	Settled
St. Louis Water Company	WR-96-263	<u>Direct</u> -Main Incident Repairs <u>Rebuttal</u> - Main Incident Repairs <u>Surrebutta</u> l- Main Incident Repairs	Contested
Steelville Telephone Company	TR-96-123	Direct - Depreciation Reserve Deficiency	Settled

Company Name	Case Number	<u>Testimony/Issues</u>	<u>Contested</u> or Settled
Missouri-American Water Company	WR-95-205/ SR-95-206	Direct-Property Held for Future Use;Premature Retirement of Sewer Plant;Depreciation Study Expense; DeferredMaintenanceRebuttal-Property Held for Future Use;Premature Retirement of Sewer Plant;Deferred MaintenanceSurrebuttal-Property Held for Future Use;Premature Retirement of Sewer Plant;Deferred MaintenanceSurrebuttal-Property Held for Future Use;Premature Retirement of Sewer Plant	Contested
St. Louis County Water Company	WR-95-145	<u>Rebuttal</u> - Tank Painting Reserve Account; Main Repair Reserve Account <u>Surrebuttal</u> - Main Repair Reserve Account	Contested

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Asbury ADIT

Projected 4/30/2022 (22,306,686) Ties to Workpaper

			Plant Retirement
	Estimated Total Deferred Taxes	Balance ADIT	Customer Net Tax Benefit
Year	(22,306,686)	(22,306,686)	
1	(2,230,668.62)	(20,076,018)	(2,230,669)
2	(2,230,668.62)	(17,845,349)	(2,230,669)
3	(2,230,668.62)	(15,614,680)	(2,230,669)
4	(2,230,668.62)	(13,384,012)	(2,230,669)
5	(2,230,668.62)	(11,153,343)	(2,230,669)
6	(2,230,668.62)	(8,922,674)	(2,230,669)
7	(2,230,668.62)	(6,692,006)	(2,230,669)
8	(2,230,668.62)	(4,461,337)	(2,230,669)
9	(2,230,668.62)	(2,230,669)	(2,230,669)
10	(2,230,668.62)	-	(2,230,669)
	(22,306,686)		
	Tot	tal NPV ADIT	(19,553,254)

10 year

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## The Empire District Electric Company EO-2022-0193 Missouri Asbury Securitization Asbury (Retired Portion) ADIT NPV 13 year

Asbury ADIT

Projected 4/30/2022 (22,306,686)

			Plant Retirement	
	Estimated Total Deferred Taxes	Balance ADIT	Customer Net Tax Benefit	
Year	(22,306,686)	(22,306,686)		
1	(1,715,899)	(20,590,787)	(1,715,899)	
2	(1,715,899)	(18,874,888)	(1,715,899)	
3	(1,715,899)	(17,158,989)	(1,715,899)	
4	(1,715,899)	(15,443,090)	(1,715,899)	
5	(1,715,899)	(13,727,191)	(1,715,899)	
6	(1,715,899)	(12,011,293)	(1,715,899)	
7	(1,715,899)	(10,295,394)	(1,715,899)	
8	(1,715,899)	(8,579,495)	(1,715,899)	
9	(1,715,899)	(6,863,596)	(1,715,899)	
10	(1,715,899)	(5,147,697)	(1,715,899)	
11	(1,715,899)	(3,431,798)	(1,715,899)	
12	(1,715,899)	(1,715,899)	(1,715,899)	
13	(1,715,899)	-	(1,715,899)	
	(22,306,686)			
	Tot	tal NPV ADIT	(18,882,796)	

13 year

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## The Empire District Electric Company EO-2022-0193 Missouri Asbury Securitization Asbury (Retired Portion) ADIT NPV 15 year

Asbury ADIT

Projected 4/30/2022 (22,306,686)

			Plant Retirement
	Estimated Total Deferred Taxes	Balance ADIT	Customer Net Tax Benefit
Year	(22,306,686)	(22,306,686)	
1	(1,487,112.41)	(20,819,574)	(1,487,112
2	(1,487,112.41)	(19,332,461)	(1,487,112
3	(1,487,112.41)	(17,845,349)	(1,487,112
4	(1,487,112.41)	(16,358,237)	(1,487,112
5	(1,487,112.41)	(14,871,124)	(1,487,112
6	(1,487,112.41)	(13,384,012)	(1,487,112
7	(1,487,112.41)	(11,896,899)	(1,487,112
8	(1,487,112.41)	(10,409,787)	(1,487,112
9	(1,487,112.41)	(8,922,674)	(1,487,112
10	(1,487,112.41)	(7,435,562)	(1,487,112
11	(1,487,112.41)	(5,948,450)	(1,487,112
12	(1,487,112.41)	(4,461,337)	(1,487,112
13	(1,487,112.41)	(2,974,225)	(1,487,112
14	(1,487,112.41)	(1,487,112)	(1,487,112
15	(1,487,112.41)	(0)	(1,487,112
	(22,306,686.17)		

Total NPV ADIT	(18,453,200)
15 year	

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## The Empire District Electric Company EO-2022-0193 Missouri Asbury Securitization Asbury (Retired Portion) ADIT

Line No.	Description (a)	Total y (Retired Plant) sed ER-2022-0193	Missouri Jurisdictional Allocation	Asbu	Total Missouri ary (Retired Plant) ased ER-2022-0193	Tax Rate	ADIT
1	Net Retired Asbury Plant	\$ 159,414,474	100.00%	\$	159,414,474	23.8401% \$	(38,004,570)
2	Asbury Environmental Regulatory Assets	1,494,657	100.00%		1,494,657	23.8401%	(356,328)
3	Asbury Fuel Inventories	1,532,832	100.00%		1,532,832	23.8401%	(365,429)
4	Asbury ADIT	-	100.00%		-		-
5	Additional Asbury Decommissioning Costs (Phase 2) (1)	4,000,000	88.53%		3,541,054	23.8401%	(844,191)
6	Additional Asbury Decommissioning Costs (Phase 3) (1)	3,800,000	88.53%		3,364,002	23.8401%	(801,981)
7	Additional Asbury Asset Retirement Obligation Costs - Asbestos	-	88.53%		-	23.8401%	-
8	Additional Asbury Asset Retirement Obligation Costs - CCR Impoundment	-	88.53%		-	23.8401%	-
9	Asbury AAO Liability	(75,779,097)	100.00%		(75,779,097)	23.8401%	18,065,813
10	Total Asbury Costs to Securitize: (2)	\$ 94,462,866		\$	93,567,922	\$	(22,306,686)

#### Footnote:

(1) - From Black and Veatch Demo Cost Estimate - November 2021 Memo.

(2) - All costs represent the Missouri jurisdictional actuals as of 1/31/2022 except for the additional projected decommissioning and ARO costs.

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