STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 12th day of June, 2024.

In the Matter of the Application of The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty to Implement Robust and Mutually-Beneficial Energy Efficiency Offerings Under the Framework Prescribed by MEEIA

File No. EO-2022-0078

ORDER GRANTING ONE TIME VARIANCE TO LATE FILE DSIM ANNUAL REPORT

Issue Date: June 12, 2024

Effective Date: June 12, 2024

On May 2, 2024, The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty filed a variance request for the purpose of late filing its annual demand side program report. Also, on May 2, 2024, Liberty filed its 2023 demand side program report. Liberty explains that it discovered a formulaic error that delayed the submission of its annual report.

Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.093(9) requires utilities to file their demand side program report no later than 90 days after the end of each program year. After being granted a variance of the annual report requirements, Liberty submitted its first demand side program report on May 1, 2023. Year two of Liberty's Missouri Energy Efficiency Act Cycle 1 ended on December 31, 2023, making the due date for Liberty's second annual demand side program report March 30, 2024. Liberty inadvertently missed filing its annual report on that date, but intended to submit its report on May 1, 2024, but for the discovery of the formulaic error.

The Commission issued an order setting a deadline for any objections to Liberty's variance request. The Commission received no objections to Liberty's variance request.

The Commission's order also explained that pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.093(9) interested parties will have 30 days from the actual submission date of Liberty's annual demand side program report to file comments with the Commission. The Commission has received no comments on Liberty's 2023 annual demand side program report.

Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.093(14) allows the Commission to grant a variance for good cause. The Commission will grant Liberty's request for a one-time variance to late file its 2023 annual demand side program report. The Commission will also grant interested parties additional time to file any comments on Liberty's 2023 annual demand side program report.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Liberty's request for a one-time variance to late file its 2023 annual demand side program report is granted.

2. The Commission will allow parties until June 20, 2024, to file any comments about Liberty's 2023 annual demand side program report.

3. This order shall be effective when issued.



Tancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell Secretary



Hahn, Ch., Coleman, Holsman Kolkmeyer, and Mitchell CC., concur.

Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge

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 12th day of June 2024.



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Nancy Dippell Secretary

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

Sincerely,

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