BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of The Empire District Electric)
Company for the Issuance of an Accounting Authority Order) File No. EU-2011-0387
Relating to its Electrical Operations and for a Contingent)
Waiver of the Notice Requirement of 4 CSR 240-4.020(2))

ORDER ESTABLISHING A RESPONSE DEADLINE

Issue Date: August 30, 2011 Effective Date: August 30, 2011

On August 17, 2011, the Commission's Staff filed its recommendation regarding The Empire District Electric Company's ("Empire") request for an accounting authority order. On August 26, 2011, the Office of the Public Counsel filed a response to Staff's recommendation. The Commission will set a deadline for Empire and other parties to respond.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. No later than September 9, 2011, The Empire District Electric Company shall file a response to the filings identified in the body of this order.
- 2. Any other party wishing to file a response shall file its response no later than September 9, 2011.

3. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

Steven C. Reed

Secretary

(SEAL)

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 30th day of August, 2011.