

**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 Tariff Increasing) **File No. ER-2010-0130**
Rates for Electric Service Provided to Customers in the) Tariff File No. YE-2010-303
Missouri Service Area of the Company)

**NOTICE REGARDING OUTSTANDING REQUESTS TO INTERVENE
AND THE EARLY PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

Date Issued: December 9, 2009

An early prehearing conference is scheduled for Friday, December 11, 2009. There are, however, two applications for intervention upon which the Commission has not yet ruled. The Missouri Energy Users' Association (MEUA) filed a timely request, which the Commission is considering. Also, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR) filed a late request for intervention.

Neither of these applications will be ruled on prior to Friday, December 11. Therefore, the Commission is giving notice that MEUA and DNR will be permitted to participate in the early prehearing conference while the Commission considers their requests to intervene.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 9th day of December, 2009.

Jones, Senior Regulatory Law Judge