

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024.

In the Matter of the Eleventh Prudence )  
Review of Costs Subject to the Commission- )  
Approved Fuel Adjustment Clause of The ) **File No. EO-2024-0241**  
Empire District Electric Company d/b/a )  
Liberty )

**ORDER APPROVING STAFF’S PRUDENCE AUDIT REPORT**

Issue Date: September 11, 2024

Effective Date: October 11, 2024

This case was opened on March 4, 2024, to consider the 11th fuel adjustment clause prudence review of The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty. On August 26, 2024, the Commission’s Staff filed a report regarding its review in which it found no incidence or evidence of imprudence by Liberty for the period of September 1, 2022 through February 29, 2024. Ten days have passed since the filing of Staff’s report and no requests for hearing were filed.

In its prudence review, Staff analyzed items affecting Liberty’s total fuel costs, purchased power costs, net emission costs, transmission costs, off-system sales revenues, and interest for the 29th, 30th, and 31st accumulation periods of Liberty’s fuel adjustment clause (FAC).

The Commission has considered Staff’s unopposed report and recommendation. In evaluating prudence, Staff reviewed whether a reasonable person would find that both the information Liberty relied on, and the process Liberty employed when making the decision under review, were reasonable based on the circumstances at the time the

decision was made, without the benefit of hindsight. During its review, Staff found no evidence of imprudence by Liberty.

The Commission finds Staff's report and recommendation regarding its prudence review of Liberty's fuel and purchased power costs and off-system sales revenue associated with its fuel adjustment clause to be reasonable, and will approve it.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Staff Report for the 11th prudence review of costs related to the fuel adjustment clause for the electric operations of Liberty is approved.
2. This order shall become effective on October 11, 2024.
3. This file shall be closed on October 12, 2024.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy Dippell".

Nancy Dippell  
Secretary

Hahn, Ch., Coleman, Holsman  
Kolkmeier, 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 11<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.**



*Nancy Dippell*  
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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,*



**Nancy Dippell  
Secretary**

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