## **BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of The Empire District Gas Company ) d/b/a Liberty for the Filing of its Revised Weather ) Normalization Adjustment Rider (WNAR) Tariff )

Case No. GT-2025-0072

## **MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT AND APPROVAL OF TARIFF SHEET**

COMES NOW The Empire District Gas Company d/b/a Liberty ("Liberty" or the "Company"), and, pursuant to Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.065(2), submits this Motion for Expedited Treatment and Approval of Tariff Sheet ("Motion"), requesting approval of the Company's revised Weather Normalization Adjustment Rider ("WNAR") tariff. In support of its Motion, Liberty states as follows:

1. On August 30, 2024, Liberty filed a revised tariff sheet, designed to reflect the annual adjustment made pursuant to the Company's WNAR for the twelve-month period ending September 30, 2025. This revised tariff had an issue date of September 1, 2024, and an effective date of October 1, 2024.

2. On September 4, 2024, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Staff Recommendation and Setting Time for Responses* ("Order") in Docket No. GT-2025-0072. In its Order the Commission ordered Commission Staff to file a recommendation regarding tariff tracking no. JG-2025-0024 no later than September 13, 2024 and ordered any other entity wishing to respond to the tariff changes or Staff's recommendation to do so by September 16, 2024.

3. Staff notified Liberty of concerns regarding Liberty's calculation of the WNAR rate, and Liberty has revised the rate to address Staff's concerns and its supporting workpapers to reflect the revised calculation.

4. The Commission's regulation 20 CSR 4240-2.065(2) provides that a tariff may

become effective in fewer than thirty days when a Motion for Expedited Treatment that complies with 20 CSR 4240-2.080(14) is filed. The Motion is in full compliance with this regulation.

5. The Company requests approval by the Commission in time for the revised tariff sheet to become effective on October 1, 2024.

6. No harm to Liberty's customers or the general public will result from the grant of the Motion.

7. This Motion, together with the proposed tariff sheet, was filed as soon as reasonably possible.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons and for good cause shown, Liberty respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Motion for Expedited Treatment and Approval of Tariff Sheet, and approve the tariff sheet Liberty has filed to be effective for service rendered on and after October 1, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the above document was filed in EFIS on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024, and sent by electronic transmission to all counsel of record.

/s/ Jermaine Grubbs