

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Eighth Prudence Review)
of Costs Subject to the Commission-Approved)
Fuel Adjustment Clause of The Empire District)
Electric Company)
File No. EO-2020-0059

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE, ACKNOWLEDGING AUTOMATIC PARTIES, AND ESTABLISHING DEADLINES FOR INTERVENTION AND REQUESTING A HEARING

Issue Date: September 11, 2019

Effective Date: September 11, 2019

On September 4, 2019, the Commission's Staff filed notice that on September 4, 2019, it started its prudence audit of the fuel adjustment clause established for The Empire District Electric Company for the period March 1, 2018, through August 31, 2019. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090(11)(B)¹ requires Staff to file notice regarding the commencement of an audit. That rule also requires Staff to file its recommendation regarding the prudence review no later than 180 days after it initiates the review. Pursuant to the same rule, other parties to the case have 10 days after Staff files its prudence review recommendation to request a hearing.

The Commission will give notice of the commencement of Staff's prudence review to potentially interested entities and will set a date for the filing of applications to intervene. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090(17)(A) provides that parties to the most recent general rate proceeding in which the Commission established, modified, or continued the fuel adjustment clause are automatically parties to this prudence review proceeding. The Commission acknowledges the parties to File No. ER-2016-0023 as parties to this case without the need to apply to intervene. The Data Center shall add these parties to the service list.

¹ Effective August 28, 2019, all of the Commission's regulations were transferred from the Department of Economic Development's (DED) Title 4 to the Department of Commerce and Insurance's (DCI) (formerly Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration) Title 20.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Data Center shall add the parties from File No. ER-2016-0023 to the certified service list for this file.
2. Applications to intervene shall be filed no later than September 26, 2019.
3. Staff shall file its recommendation no later than March 2, 2020.
4. Any request for a hearing shall be filed no later than ten days after Staff files its recommendation.
5. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Nancy Dippell, Senior Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
under Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 11th day of September, 2019.

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 11th day of September 2019.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

September 11, 2019

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

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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