BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District)	
Electric Company's Purchased Gas)	File No. GR-2019-0124
Adjustment Tariff Filing)	

ORDER DIRECTING RESPONSE

Issue Date: December 13, 2019 Effective Date: December 13, 2019

The Commission's Staff filed a recommendation on The Empire District Gas Company's ("Empire") 2017-2018 Actual Cost Adjustment ("ACA") filing. Staff reviewed Empire's gas purchasing practices to evaluate the prudence of the company's purchasing decisions for the period. Staff also performed a reliability analysis and reviewed Empire's hedging practices. Based on its review, Staff recommends the Commission make adjustments to Empire's ending ACA balances, and issue an order establishing those balances. Staff also lists other recommendations and asks the Commission to order Empire to respond.

The Commission will direct Empire to submit a response to Staff's recommendation.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Empire District Gas Company shall file a response to Staff's recommendation no later than January 27, 2020.
- 2. Any other entity wishing to comment on Staff's recommendation shall do so no later than January 27, 2020.

3. This order is effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff

Secretary

John T. Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 13th day of December, 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 13th day of December 2019.

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION December 13, 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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