

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

In the Matter of the Request of The Empire)	
District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty for)	<u>File No. ER-2024-0261</u>
Authority to File Tariffs Increasing Rates)	<i>Tracking No. JE-2025-0069</i>
for Electric Service Provided to Customers)	
In its Missouri Service Area)	

STAFF'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and, as directed by the Commission's *Order* of November 8, 2024, states as follows in response to the Company's proposed test year:

1. On November 6, 2024, The Empire District Electric Company's d/b/a Liberty ("Liberty" or "Company") filed proposed tariff sheets designed to implement a general rate increase for retail electric service provided in its Missouri territories.
2. In its November 8, 2024, *Order Giving Notice, Setting a Deadline to Intervene, Setting a Deadline to Respond to the Test Year, and Setting a Procedural Conference*, the Commission ordered stated that any party wishing to respond to Liberty's proposed test year shall do so no later than December 5, 2024.
3. Staff and the Company are currently engaging in ongoing discussions about Staff's concerns in this case. Staff needs additional time to assess whether it has material data needed to conduct its review in support its direct case.
4. Staff hereby requests that the Commission grants Staff an additional two (2) days to offer its recommendation to the Commission.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests the Commission accept Staff's response and to order Staff to file its recommendation no later than December 9, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 5th day of December 2025.

/s/ Eric Vandergriff