

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

In the Matter of the Application of The)	
Empire District Electric Company d/b/a)	
Liberty to Implement Robust and Mutually-)	<u>File No. EO-2022-0078</u>
Beneficial Energy Efficiency Offerings)	Tracking No. JE-2025-0094
Under the Framework Prescribed by)	
MEEIA)	

**ORDER DIRECTING AN EXPEDITED STAFF RECOMMENDATION
ABOUT STIPULATION AND TARIFF AND SHORTENING THE TIME
FOR OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS**

Issue Date: December 16, 2024

Effective Date: December 16, 2024

On December 13, 2024, The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty, the Commission’s Staff (Staff) and Renew Missouri filed a Stipulation and Agreement (Agreement) and a motion for expedited treatment to extend Liberty’s Missouri Energy Efficiency Investment Act (MEEIA) Cycle 1 three months until March 31, 2024. This will provide Liberty time to file an application or agreement to start a MEEIA Cycle 2. Liberty also filed tariff sheets, Tracking No. JE-2025-0094, to extend Liberty’s MEEIA Cycle 1 until March 31, 2025. The tariff sheets bear an effective date of January 12, 2024. Liberty asks that the Commission approve those tariff sheets to take effect on January 1, 2024, when Liberty’s MEEIA Cycle 1, ends.

Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.115(2) allows seven days to object to a stipulation and agreement. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.080(13) allows parties ten days to respond to any pleading unless another response time is established by the Commission. The Commission will shorten the time for responses to the tariff, the Agreement, and the request for expedited treatment.

The Commission will direct its Staff to analyze the tariff sheets on an expedited basis and file a statement about whether those tariff sheets comply with the Agreement. The Commission will also set a deadline for any responses or objections to the Agreement or Liberty's tariff sheets.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Staff must file a recommendation about Liberty's tariff sheets no later than noon on December 18, 2024.
2. Any responses or objections to the Agreement, Liberty's tariff sheets, and the request for expedited treatment must be filed no later than noon on December 18, 2024.
3. This order is effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy Dippell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Nancy Dippell
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 16th day of December, 2024.

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 16th day of December 2024.



Nancy Dippell

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Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

December 16, 2024

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

Sincerely,



**Nancy Dippell
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