BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company of Joplin, Missouri for Authority to File Tariff Increasing Rates for Electric Service Provided to Customers in the Missouri Service Area of the Company	))))	**File No. ER-2010-0130**

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST TO POSTPONE FILING OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Issue Date: January 11, 2010 Effective Date: January 11, 2010

Without objection from the parties, the Staff of the Commission filed a request to postpone the filing of the procedural schedule until January 15, 2010. Staff's request is granted.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Staff of the Commission's request to postpone the filing of the procedural schedule until January 15, 2010, is granted.

2. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

Steven C. Reed
Secretary

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Kennard L. Jones, Senior Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 11th day of January, 2010.