

# 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 )  
Authority to File Tariffs Increasing Rates ) **File No. ER-2024-0261**  
for Electric Service Provided to Customers )  
In its Missouri Service Area )

## ORDER DIRECTING RESPONSES

Issue Date: February 6, 2025

Effective Date: February 6, 2025

On February 5, 2025,<sup>1</sup> the Office of the Public Counsel filed *Public Counsel's Motion to Reject Tariff Sheets and Dismiss Application* (OPC Motion).

Also on February 5, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed *Staff's Motion to Dismiss the Application of The Empire District Electric Company for a Rate Increase* (Staff Motion).

Both the OPC Motion and the Staff Motion are filed in response to substitute tariff sheets filed by The Empire District Electric Company (Empire) on February 3, and both motions request dismissal. However, the two motions present different legal arguments. Therefore, the Commission will direct Empire to respond to each, the OPC Motion and the Staff Motion, and will also set a time for other parties to respond.

### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Empire shall respond to the OPC Motion no later than February 14, 2025.
2. Empire shall respond to the Staff Motion no later than February 14, 2025.

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<sup>1</sup> All dates refer to 2025 unless otherwise indicated.

3. Any other responses to the OPC Motion or the Staff Motion shall be filed no later than February 14, 2025.

4. This order is effective when issued.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



*Nancy Dippell*

Nancy Dippell  
Secretary

Charles Hatcher, Senior Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025.

**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 6<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.



*Nancy Dippell*  
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Nancy Dippell  
Secretary

**MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**February 6, 2025**

**File/Case No. ER-2024-0261**

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

***Sincerely,***

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

**Nancy Dippell  
Secretary**

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