

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)
Company for Authority to Implement Rate)
Adjustments Related to the Company's)
Fuel and Purchase Power Adjustment)
(FAC) Required in 20 CSR 4240-20.090)

File No. ER-2020-0311

ORDER DIRECTING STATUS REPORT

Issue Date: September 3, 2020

Effective Date: September 3, 2020

On August 17, 2020, The Empire District Electric Company, a Liberty Utilities company ("Liberty-Empire"), on behalf of Liberty-Empire, the Staff of the Commission and the Office of the Public Counsel (OPC), filed a *Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule*. The motion advised the parties had reached a settlement "in principle" and the parties intended to file a written settlement agreement by September 1, 2020.

On August 18, 2020, the Commission suspended the procedural schedule and ordered the parties to file a status report no later than September 1, 2020. On September 1, 2020, Liberty-Empire filed a status report indicating the parties continue to work together on settlement language and intend to file a written settlement agreement "shortly." The report also indicates Liberty-Empire does not anticipate filing revised tariff sheets in this proceeding.

Because Liberty-Empire reports settlement discussions are underway, the Commission will direct the parties to file monthly status reports until a proposed settlement agreement is filed or until further order.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The parties shall file a monthly status report no later than the fifth day of each month, beginning in October, until a proposed settlement agreement is filed in this matter or until further order.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Jana C. Jacobs, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo (2016).

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 3rd day of September, 2020.