# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Jerry L. Countryman for Change of Electric Supplier from Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty to White River Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

File No. EO-2022-0226

# ORDER DIRECTING FILING OF A PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

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Issue Date: June 29, 2022

Effective Date: June 29, 2022

On February 25, 2022, Jerry L. Countryman filed an *Application for Change of Electrical Service Provider* ("Application") with the Commission requesting a change of electric supplier from The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty to White River Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. (White River).

On February 28, 2022, the Commission ordered that Liberty and White River be made parties to this proceeding and that they respond to the Application. Both of those parties did so on March 30, 2022, and both Liberty and White River requested that the Commission deny the Application.

On April 13, 2022, the Staff of the Commission filed a *Staff Recommendation* in which it recommended that the Commission deny Mr. Countryman's Application because he has not shown by the preponderance of the evidence that it is in the public interest for him to switch providers from Liberty to White River.

This matter is ready to proceed to hearing. The Commission will direct the parties to collaborate and file a joint proposed procedural schedule.

# THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The parties shall collaborate on a joint proposed procedural schedule to be

filed by Staff no later than July 14, 2022.

2. This order is effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION nnis

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Kenneth J. Seyer, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022.

## 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 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022.



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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

### **MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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

Sincerely,

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