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 for Electric Service Provided to Customers in its Missouri Service Area

File No. ER-2021-0312 Tracking No. JE-2025-0118

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

Issue Date: March 3, 2025

Effective Date: April 1, 2025

On January 29, 2025, The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty filed a tariff sheet to update the Renewable Energy Purchase Program (REPP) rate to reflect the Renewable Energy Credit (REC) rate for the twelve-month period ending December 2024. Liberty's proposed tariff sheet has an April 1, 2025 effective date.

Liberty's REPP was approved and placed into effect June 1, 2022. The purpose of the REPP is to offer non-residential customers the opportunity to offset their carbon emissions by up to 100% of their electricity consumption through the purchase of RECs. Under that program, Liberty is required to perform a quarterly review of its REC sales and REC rate. If the REC rate is outside a five percent threshold, Liberty must recalculate the rate as the weighted average price for the most recent 12-month ending period. Liberty's proposed tariff sheet adjusts the previous REC rate of \$2.67 per 1,000 kWh, to reflect the adjusted REC rate of \$2.73 per 1,000 kWh for the 12-months ending December 2024.

The Commission directed Staff to file a recommendation and set a deadline for any responses to Liberty's tariff sheet. Staff filed its recommendation to approve the tariff sheet. No other responses were received. The Commission has reviewed Liberty's tariff sheet and Staff's verified recommendation and memoranda. The Commission finds that the tariff sheet updating the REPP rate adjustment is in compliance with Liberty's tariff. Therefore, the Commission will approve Liberty's tariff sheet. So that the tariff sheet becomes effective on its requested effective date, the Commission finds it reasonable to make this order effective in less than 30 days.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The following tariff sheet, assigned Tracking No. JE-2025-0118, is approved and shall be effective on April 1, 2025:

P.S.C. MO. No. 6, Section 4

5th Revised Sheet No. 7a Cancelling 4th Revised Sheet No. 7a

2. This order shall be effective on April 1, 2025.

BY THE COMMISSION



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 3rd day of March, 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 3rd day of March 2025.



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Nancy Dippell Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION March 3, 2025

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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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