

**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) Case No. ER-2024-0261
For Electric Service Provided to Customers)
In its Missouri Service Area)

MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE

Pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.040(3)(C) and Missouri Supreme Court Rules 6.01(n) and 9.03, James G. Flaherty moves the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) for leave to be permitted to appear and participate in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of this Motion for Admission Pro Hac Vice, Mr. Flaherty respectfully states as follows:

1. Mr. Flaherty is an attorney with the firm of Anderson & Byrd, LLP, located at 216 S. Hickory, Ottawa, Kansas, 66067. Mr. Flaherty wishes to represent The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty (“Liberty”) *pro hac vice* in this proceeding.

2. Mr. Flaherty is a member in good standing of the Kansas Bar. Mr. Flaherty is also admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the District of Kansas and the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals. Mr. Flaherty has never been subject to disciplinary proceedings of any kind.

3. Neither Mr. Flaherty, nor any member of Anderson & Byrd, LLP, is under suspension or disbarment, nor is any member of Anderson & Byrd, LLP, disqualified to appear before the Missouri Public Service Commission or any court.

4. Pursuant to Missouri Supreme Court Rule 6.01(n), a fee of \$410 has been paid to the Clerk of the Missouri Supreme Court, and the certificate attached as Exhibit A was issued on March 14, 2025, by the Clerk of the Supreme Court.

5. Mr. Flaherty is associated in this matter with Diana C. Carter, Director of Legal Services – Liberty Central Region, 428 E. Capitol Avenue, Suite 303, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101. Ms. Carter is a member in good standing of the Missouri Bar and is qualified to practice before this Commission pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.040(3)(A). Mr. Flaherty respectfully designates Ms. Carter as associate counsel. Ms. Carter has entered her appearance on behalf of Liberty in this proceeding by filing a Notice of Intended Case Filing on March 25, 2024.

6. If this motion to appear *pro hac vice* is granted, Mr. Flaherty agrees to abide by the Rules of the Commission, including all disciplinary rules, and to notify the Commission immediately of any matter affecting their standing at the bar of any court.

For the foregoing reasons, James G. Flaherty respectfully requests that this motion for admission *pro hac vice* be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the above document was filed in EFIS on this 14th day of March, 2025, with notification of the same being sent to all counsel of record, and I further certify that the above document was sent by electronic transmission to all counsel of record.

/s/ Diana C. Carter
The Empire District Electric Company
d/b/a Liberty