BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In The Matter of a Determination of Special)	
Contemporary Resource Planning Issues to be)	
Addressed by The Empire District Electric Company)	File No. EO-2021-0066
In its Next Triennial Compliance Filing or Next)	
Annual Update Report)	

ORDER DIRECTING RESPONSE

Issue Date: October 20, 2020 Effective Date: October 20, 2020

A provision in the Commission's electric utility resource planning rule, 20 CSR 4240-22.080(4), requires Missouri's electric utilities to consider and analyze special contemporary issues in their triennial compliance filings or in their annual update reports. The regulation requires the Commission to specify the list of special contemporary issues each electric utility is to address.

In considering these matters, the Commission is interested in a possible special contemporary issue that has not been raised by any stakeholder. The issue is: evaluate the options of potential upgrades to the utility's distribution system needed in light of FERC Order 2222. Before unilaterally directing the utilities to address this issue, the Commission will offer an opportunity to respond.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Empire District Electric Company (Liberty) shall respond to the suggested special contemporary issue by October 26, 2020.
- 2. Any other person or entity wishing to respond to the suggested special contemporary issue may do so by October 26, 2020.

3. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff

Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 20th day of October, 2020.

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 20th day of October, 2020.

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION October 20, 2020

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

Sincerely,

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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