# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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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 Tariff No. YE-2020-0214

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and for its recommendation states:

1. On May 21, 2020, the Commission issued its Order Rejecting Tariff to Change Fuel Adjustment Rates, with an effective date of May 31, 2020, and directed The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") to file any revised tariff sheets necessary to implement interim fuel adjustment rates consistent with uncontested components of Empire's proposed fuel adjustment rates.

2. On June 10, 2020, Empire filed a Revised Tariff Sheet No. 17ac to implement its interim fuel adjustment rates that excluded the costs being contested by the Office of the Public Counsel. This revised tariff sheet bears an issue date of June 10, 2020, and an effective date of July 10, 2020.

3. Following Empire's filing of its revised tariff sheet on June 10, 2020, the Commission issued an order and directed Staff to file a recommendation regarding Empire's revised tariff sheet no later than June 17, 2020.

4. After reviewing Empire's revised tariff sheet, Staff has verified that Empire has correctly removed the disputed amounts, and recommends the Commission issue an order either approving Empire's revised tariff sheet or indicating the revised tariff sheet will take effect by operation of law on July 10, 2020.

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WHEREFORE, Staff recommends the Commission issue an order either approving Empire's 8<sup>th</sup> Revised Tariff Sheet No. 17ac Canceling 7<sup>th</sup> Revised Tariff Sheet No. 17ac, as filed on June 10, 2020, or indicating that said revised tariff sheet will become effective on July 10, 2020, by operation of law.

Respectfully submitted,

## /s/ Jamie S. Myers

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of the foregoing was served via e-mail on counsel for the parties of record to this case on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.

## <u>/s/ Jamie S. Myers</u>

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#### AFFIDAVIT OF BROOKE MASTROGIANNIS AND LISA WILDHABER

STATE OF MISSOURI ) ) ss. COUNTY OF COLE )

**COME NOW** Brooke Mastrogiannis and Lisa Wildhaber, and on their oath declares that they are of sound mind and lawful age; that they contributed to the foregoing *Staff Recommendation* in memorandum form; and that the same is true and correct according to their best knowledge and belief, under penalty of perjury.

Further the Affiants sayeth not.

<u>/s/ Brooke Mastrogiannis</u> Brooke Mastrogiannis

<u>/s/ Lisa Wildhaber</u> Lisa Wildhaber