

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)
Company’s Submission of Its Interim Report) File No. EO-2012-0269
Regarding Participation in the Southwest)
Power Pool, Inc.)

MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

COMES NOW The Empire District Electric Company (“Empire”), by and through its undersigned counsel, and, on behalf of all parties to this proceeding, respectfully states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”):

1. In Commission File No. EO-2006-0141, Empire obtained the Commission’s authority to transfer to the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (“SPP”) conditional and interim functional control of certain transmission assets. The authority was granted by the Commission as a result of its approval of a Stipulation and Agreement (the “Stipulation”), and section II.A.(1) of the Stipulation provided as follows: “the approval is interim and conditional during a term of seven (7) years following the Effective Date (“Interim Period”) . . . unless extended pursuant to Section II.E(2) herein.” Pursuant to the Stipulation, Empire’s Interim Period extends until January 31, 2014.

2. On February 3, 2012, Empire submitted its Interim Report for filing herein, pursuant to the Stipulation, and requested an order of the Commission approving the continued participation of Empire in SPP beyond January 31, 2014.

3. The parties to this proceeding have engaged in extensive settlement discussions, and, attached hereto, is the Stipulation and Agreement of Empire, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”), the Office of the Public Counsel (“Public Counsel”), the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (“SPP”), and Dogwood Energy, LLC (“Dogwood”) (the “2013

Stipulation and Agreement”). The 2013 Stipulation and Agreement resolves all issues presented in this proceeding. Additionally, the 2013 Stipulation and Agreement may be treated by the Commission as unanimous, as the remaining parties to this proceeding, Kansas City Power & Light Company (“KCP&L”) and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company (“GMO”), although not signatories to the 2013 Stipulation and Agreement, do not oppose the 2013 Stipulation and Agreement.

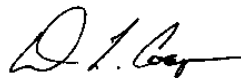
4. On June 19, 2013, the Commission approved stipulations and agreements in File Nos. EO-2012-0135 (*In the Matter of the Application of Kansas City Power & Light Company for Authority to Extend the Transfer of Functional Control of Certain Transmission Assets to the Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*) and EO-2012-0136 (*In the Matter of the Application of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company for Authority to Extend the Transfer of Functional Control of Certain Transmission Assets to the Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*). The applicants in File Nos. EO-2012-0135 and EO-2012-0136 were seeking substantially similar relief to the relief sought by Empire in this proceeding, and the stipulations and agreements approved in said matters are substantially similar to the attached 2013 Stipulation and Agreement.

WHEREFORE, Empire, on behalf of all parties hereto, respectfully requests an order of the Commission approving the attached 2013 Stipulation and Agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

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