

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

In the Matter of The Empire District)	
Electric Company's Revised)	Case No. ET-2019-_____
Economic Development Rider)	Tracking No. JE-2019-0002
Tariff Sheets)	

MOTION TO SUSPEND TARIFF SHEET AND OPEN NEW DOCKET

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and for its *Motion to Suspend Tariff Sheet and Open New Docket* in this matter hereby states:

1. The Empire District Electric Company filed its revised economic development rider tariff sheet with the Commission July 2, 2018, bearing an effective date of August 1, 2018. The tariff sheet was assigned tracking number JE-2019-0002 and is attached to this pleading as Attachment A. The proposed revised tariff seeks to modify Empire's existing economic development rider established in its 2012 rate case, Case No. ER-2012-0345.

2. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.065, the Commission shall establish a case file for a tariff when a pleading is filed which objects to a tariff or requests the suspension of a tariff.

3. Staff has determined that this proposed tariff revision may involve a substantive dispute and recommends the Commission open a docket pursuant to Rule 4 CSR 240-2.065 in which the parties may file records related to the tariff sheet's promulgation. Staff asks that the Commission suspend Empire's proposed revised tariff sheet so that it does not go into effect August 1, 2018, pending a final Commission determination or dismissal of this matter.

WHEREFORE, Staff prays that the Commission will open a new docket pursuant to Rule 4 CSR 240-2.065 upon receipt of this *Motion*; suspend the proposed tariff sheet so that it does not go into effect August 1, 2018; and grant such other and further relief as the Commission considers just in the circumstances.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail, or First Class United States Postal Mail, postage prepaid, on this 30th day of July, 2018, to all counsel of record.

/s/ Whitney Payne