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)	Tracking No. JE-2025-0127
In its Missouri Service Area)	

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR FURTHER EXTENSION OF TIME

Issue Date: November 26, 2025 Effective Date: November 26, 2025

On October 6, 2025,¹ a *Non-Unanimous Global Stipulation and Agreement* was filed and objected to. The Commission held an evidentiary hearing from October 14 through October 16. Subsequently, the Commissioners encouraged the parties to revisit the filed *Non-Unanimous Global Stipulation and Agreement*.

A briefing schedule was set and extended previously. Initial and reply briefs are currently due December 1 and December 8, respectively.

On November 25, the parties² filed *Motion to Extend Procedural Deadlines* (Motion), which requested a third extension to December 5 for initial briefs and December 15 for reply briefs. The Motion explained that the extension is to allow time to finalize and file an amended settlement agreement.

The Commission finds the Motion's requested extension reasonable and will grant

it.

¹ All dates refer to 2025 unless otherwise stated.

² Parties refers to The Empire District Electric Company, Commission Staff, the Office of the Public Counsel, the Consumers Council of Missouri, the Midwest Energy Consumers Group, Renew Missouri. Not joining the Joint Motion were The Empire District Retired Members & Spouses Association, LLC, IBEW Local Union 1474, and Influent Energy – which have pending settlements separate from the *Non-Unanimous Global Stipulation and Agreement*.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Motion is granted. The deadlines for briefing are extended as follows:
 - Initial Briefs shall be filed no later than December 5, 2025; and
 - Reply Briefs shall be filed no later than December 15, 2025.
- 2. This order shall be effective when issued.

SION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PR

BY THE COMMISSION

Nancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell Secretary

Charles Hatcher, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 26th day of November, 2025.

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 26th day of November 2025.

SION OF THE OF T

Nancy Dippell Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION November 26, 2025

File/Case No. ER-2024-0261

MO PSC Staff

Staff Counsel Department 200 Madison Street, Suite 800 P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102 staffcounselservice@psc.mo.gov Jefferson City, MO 65102

Office of the Public Counsel (OPC)

Marc Poston 200 Madison Street, Suite 650 P.O. Box 2230 opcservice@opc.mo.gov

Consumers Council of Missouri

John Coffman 871 Tuxedo Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63119-2044 john@johncoffman.net

Empire District Retired Members & Spouses Association, LLC

Douglas Healy 3010 E. Battlefield. Suite A Springfield, MO 65804 doug@healylawoffices.com

IBEW Local Union 1474

Michael Amash 6803 West 64th Street Suite 300 Overland Park, KS 66202 mea@blake-uhlig.com

IBEW Local Union 1474

Garrison Howell 6803 West 64th Street Suite 300 Overland Park, KS 66202 grh@blake-uhlig.com

Influent Energy

Andrew Zellers 1100 Main St. 4th Fl Kansas City, MO 64105

andy.zellers@influentenergy.com diana.carter@libertyutilities.com

Liberty (Empire)

Diana Carter 428 E. Capitol Avenue, Suite 303 Jefferson City, MO 65101

Liberty (Empire)

Dean Cooper 312 East Capitol P.O. Box 456 Jefferson City, MO 65102 dcooper@brydonlaw.com

Liberty (Empire)

James Flaherty 216 S. Hickory P.O. Box 17 Ottawa, KS 66067 iflaherty@andersonbyrd.com

Liberty (Empire)

Jermaine Grubbs 601 S. Joplin Ave. Joplin, MO 64801 jermaine.grubbs@libertyutilities.com Jefferson City, MO 65101

Midwest Energy Consumers Group

Tim Opitz 308 E. High Street, Suite B101 tim.opitz@opitzlawfirm.com

MO PSC Staff

Eric Vandergriff 200 Madison Street Jefferson City, MO 65101 eric.vandergriff@psc.mo.gov

Renew Missouri

Nicole Mers 915 Ash Street Columbia, MO 65201 nicole@renewmo.org

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

Sincerely,

Nancy Dippell Secretary

Recipients listed above with a valid e-mail address will receive electronic service. Recipients without a valid e-mail address will receive paper service.