

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

In the Matter of the Consideration of	)	
Adoption of the PURPA §111(d)(12) Fuel	)	
Sources Standard as Required by §1251	)	Case No. EO-2006-0494
Of the Energy Policy Act of 2005	)	

**THE EMPIRE DISTRICT ELECTRIC COMPANY
RESPONSE TO ORDER DIRECTING FILING**

The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire"), pursuant to the Missouri Public Service Commission's ("Commission") August 17, 2006, Order Sustaining Motion for Late Filing of Procedural Schedule, Setting Technical Conference, and Directing Filing, hereby submits the following responses to the questions posed in that order. These questions and their associated response are in reference to the PURPA §111(d)(12) Fuel Sources Standard.

a) Can this case be closed based on "prior state actions" as provided in Section 1251 (b)(3) of the Act [16 U.S.C. 2622(d)], and why or why not?

Yes, 4 CSR 240-22 addresses this standard. Although it does not explicitly state that the plan should minimize dependence on only 1 fuel source, 4 CSR 240-22 (2)(C) mandates the identification and, if possible, quantification of considerations that are used in the selection of the preferred resource plan.

b) Can this case be consolidated with any, some or all of the following cases—EO-2006-0493, EO-2006-0495, EO-2006-0496 and EO-2006-

0497—because the issues addressed in one or more of these cases are similar, and why or why not?

Yes, in general, this case could be combined with all of the dockets mentioned, since the subjects deal with the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

This case could be consolidated with EO-2006-0495 if all cases are not to be combined. The following definitions are applicable to both cases:

(12) Fuel sources. Each electric utility shall develop a plan to minimize dependence on 1 fuel source and to ensure that the electric energy it sells to consumers is generated using a diverse range of fuels and technologies, including renewable technologies.

(13) Fossil fuel generation efficiency. Each electric utility shall develop and implement a 10-year plan to increase the efficiency of its fossil fuel generation.

c) What type of proceeding (e.g., rulemaking, rate case implementation, etc.) should the Commission use to address the issues in this case in order to meet the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 ("PURPA") Section 111(a) and 111(b) "consideration and determination" requirements [16 U.S.C. 2621(a), 2621(b)], and why?

It would seem that none should be required because the standard is already addressed in existing Commission rules.

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