

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

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)
Company's Application for Approval of) Case No. ET-2026-_____
New or Modified Tariffs for Service to Large)
Load Customers)

NOTICE OF INTENDED CASE FILING

COMES NOW The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty, and for its Notice of Intended Case Filing being submitted herein pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017, respectfully states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (the "Commission"):

1. The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty ("Liberty" or the "Company") is a Kansas corporation with its principal office and place of business at 602 Joplin Street, Joplin, Missouri. Liberty is qualified to conduct business and is conducting business in Missouri, as well as in the states of Arkansas, Kansas, and Oklahoma. Liberty is engaged, generally, in the business of generating, purchasing, transmitting, distributing, and selling electricity in portions of the referenced four states. Liberty's Missouri operations are subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission as provided by law.

2. Consistent with Senate Bill 4 (2025) and the corresponding §393.130.7, RSMo., Liberty intends to file an application for approval of new or modified tariff sheets for serving large load customers. The issues likely to be before the Commission in the case are any issues related to the rates, terms, and conditions relating to such service.

3. With regard to Rule 4.017(1) and the requirement that a 60-day filing notice include "a summary of all communication regarding substantive issues likely to be in the case between the filing party and the office of the commission that occurred in the ninety (90) days prior to filing the notice," Liberty verifies that there have been no *ex parte* communications regarding substantive

issues likely to be in the intended case between Liberty and the office of the Commission within the 90 days prior to the filing of this Notice.

WHEREFORE, Liberty submits to the Commission this Notice of Intended Case Filing and requests such relief as is just and proper under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

THE EMPIRE DISTRICT ELECTRIC COMPANY
d/b/a LIBERTY

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the above document was filed in EFIS on this 16th day of January, 2026, with notification of the same being sent to all counsel of record, and I further certify that the above document was sent by electronic transmission to the Staff of the Commission and the Office of the Public Counsel.

/s/ Diana C. Carter