

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric	)	
Company's Application for Approval of	)	<u>Case No. ET-2026-0184</u>
New or Modified Tariffs for Service to Large	)	
Load Customers	)	

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

COMES NOW The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty, and for its *Motion for Extension of Time*, states as follows:

submitted herein, respectfully states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (the "Commission"):

1. On January 16, 2026, The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty ("Liberty" or the "Company") filed its *Notice of Intended Case Filing* pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1), therein describing the intended case as an "application for approval of new or modified tariffs for service to Large Load Customers."

2. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-017(1) also provides that "[t]he filing of such notice shall initiate a new noticed case and be assigned an appropriate case designation and number"; therefore, upon receipt of the notice described above, the Commission opened Case No. ET-2026-0184.

3. The cited rule also provides that "[i]f the expected case filing is not made within one hundred eighty (180) days, the noticed case shall close."

4. The one hundred eightieth day following January 16, 2026, will be July 15, 2026.

5. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1)(D), by its terms, provides for waiver of the 60-day notice requirement, but not for extension of the 180-day filing deadline.

6. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.050(3)(A) provides, “(3) [w]hen an act is required or allowed to be done by order or rule of the commission at or within a specified time, the commission may— (A) Order the period enlarged before the expiration of the period originally prescribed or as extended by a previous order[.]”

7. This request is filed before the expiration of the period originally prescribed.

8. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.050(3)(A) does not require a showing of good cause, but merely a timely request for extension. Nonetheless, Liberty states that an additional thirty (30) days is needed to finalize the filing and to meet with stakeholders in advance of the filing.

9. An extension of the 180-day deadline set out in Rule 20 CSR 4240-017(1) for thirty (30) days would not harm or prejudice any party to this case and would be in the public interest.

WHEREFORE, Liberty moves the Commission to extend the 180-day deadline set out in Rule 20 CSR 4240-017(1) for thirty (30) days; and requests such other and further relief as is just and proper under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was sent by electronic mail to all parties of record this 1st day of July, 2026.

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