

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

In the Matter of The Empire )  
District Electric Company for Authority ) **File No. ER-2014-0351**  
to File Tariffs Increasing Rates for ) Tracking No. YE-2015-0074  
Electric Service Provided to Customers )  
in the Company's Missouri Service Area )

**ORDER SETTING DEADLINE FOR OBJECTION TO GLOBAL STIPULATION  
AND AGREEMENT**

Issue Date: April 3, 2015

Effective Date: April 3, 2015

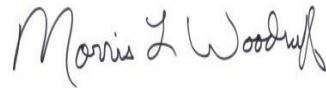
On April 3, 2015, The Empire District Electric Company, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, the Office of the Public Counsel, the City of Joplin, the Missouri Department of Economic Development – Division of Energy, and the Midwest Energy Users' Association (jointly, "Signatories") filed a *Global Stipulation and Agreement* ("Agreement"). The Signatories state that with the exception of Midwest Energy Consumers Group ("MECG"), all parties in this case have reached an Agreement that resolves all issues in the rate case proceeding.

MECG previously filed a statement of positions indicating that it may object to the Agreement and request an evidentiary hearing on certain issues. Since an evidentiary hearing is scheduled to begin on April 8, 2015, the Commission will set a deadline of 10:00 a.m. on Monday, April 6, 2015 for MECG to file an objection to the Agreement and to identify for which issues it requests a hearing.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. MCEG may file an objection to the Global Stipulation and Agreement no later than 10:00 a.m. on Monday, April 6, 2015. If MCEG files an objection, it shall identify the issues for which it requests an evidentiary hearing before the Commission.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary



Kim S. Burton, Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2015.