

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office in
Jefferson City on the 17th day
of May, 2012.

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)
Company's application to modify its FAC tariff)

File No. ER-2012-0326
Tariff No. YE-2012-0624

ORDER APPROVING INTERIM RATES

Issue Date: May 17, 2012

Effective Date: June 1, 2012

On March 30, 2012, The Empire District Electric Company filed a tariff sheet revising its Cost Adjustment Factors of its Fuel Adjustment Clause approved by the Commission.¹ The company filed a substitute tariff sheet on April 27 with a proposed effective date of June 1. The revised tariff sheet will result in the following Cost Adjustment Factors per kWh:

Voltage level Adjustment	Present	Proposed	Difference
Primary	\$0.00409	\$(0.00180)	\$0.00589 decrease
Secondary	\$0.00417	\$(0.00183)	\$0.00600 decrease

On April 30, the Staff of the Commission filed a memorandum recommending that the Commission approve the proposed adjustment, subject to true-up and prudence reviews. Staff states that the adjustment will be applied to bills beginning June 1, 2012 and, based on a monthly usage of 1,000 kWh, will result in a decrease of \$6.00 in an average residential customer's bill.

¹ Commission Case Nos. ER-2009-0093, ER-2010-0130 and ER-2011-0004.

Finally, Staff states that Empire is in compliance with §386.266 RSMo, Commission rule 4 CSR 240-20-090, and the Commission's Reports and Orders in Case Nos. ER-2008-0093, ER-2010-0130 and ER-2011-0004.

The Commission has reviewed the application and Staff's Memorandum and Recommendation and based on the verified pleadings, finds that the proposed tariff sheet conforms to Empire's approved Fuel Adjustment Clause. The Commission will therefore approve the tariff sheets to go into effect on June 1, 2012.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

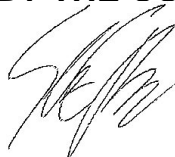
1. The following proposed tariff sheet, filed on April 27, 2012, by The Empire District Electric Company and assigned tracking number YE-2012-0624, is approved to go into effect on June 1, 2012, on an interim basis, subject to true-up and prudence reviews:

P.S.C.MO. No. 5 Section 4

2nd Revised Sheets No. 17k, Cancelling 1st Revised sheet No. 17k

2. This order shall become effective on June 1, 2012.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

(S E A L)

Gunn, Chm., Jarrett and Kenney,
CC., concur.

Jones, Senior Regulatory Law Judge