BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company of Joplin, Missouri Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric Service Provided to Customers in the Missouri Service Area of the Company

File No. ER-2012-0345

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Issue Date: February 11, 2013

Effective Date: February 11, 2013

On February 11, 2013, The Empire District Electric Company and the Staff of the Commission jointly filed a *Joint Request for Extension*. Those parties request that the deadline for filing position statements be extended for one day from the due date of February 12, 2013, which is a state holiday. The Commission finds good cause for granting the motion and will approve the request.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The *Joint Request for Extension* is granted. All parties shall file their position statements no later than February 13, 2013.

2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Shelley Brueggemann Acting Secretary

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Michael Bushmann, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 11th day of February, 2013.