

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

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company for)
Authority to Implement Rate Adjustments Related to the) **File No. ER-2014-0087**
Company's Fuel and Purchased Power Adjustment Clause) **Tariff No. JE-2014-0155**
(FAC) Required by 4 CSR 240-20.090(4))

**ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE, SETTING INTERVENTION DEADLINE
AND DIRECTING STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Issue Date: October 2, 2013

Effective Date: October 2, 2013

On October 1, 2013, The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire"), submitted an application and tariff designed to implement an adjustment to its Fuel and Purchased Power Adjustment Clause. The submitted tariff bears an effective date of December 1, 2013.

Pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-20.090(4), the Commission's Staff shall submit a recommendation regarding the proposed adjustment no later than 30 days after it's filing. No later than 60 days after receiving the proposed adjustment, the Commission must : (1) enter an interim rate adjustment approving the tariff as submitted; (2) allow the tariff to go into effect by operation of law; or (3) reject the tariff if it is not in accordance with the rule. Consequently, the Commission shall issue notice, set an intervention deadline, and direct its Staff to file a recommendation.

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.161(10) provides that parties to the rate case in which the Commission approved Empire's fuel adjustment clause are automatically parties to this case, without the necessity of having to apply for intervention. Therefore, the Commission acknowledges that the parties to File No. ER-2012-0345 (the file in which

Empire's Rider FAC was most recently re-approved) are parties to this case, and will direct its Data Center to add those parties to the service list.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Data Center shall serve a copy of this order upon the parties to File No. ER-2012-0345.
2. The Commission's Data Center shall add all parties to File No. ER-2012-0345 to the service list for this case.
3. Any person or entity wishing to intervene shall file an application to intervene no later than October 15, 2013.
4. The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file a recommendation regarding its examination and analysis of Empire's application no later than October 31, 2013.
5. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 2nd day of October, 2013.