

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)
Company d/b/a Liberty (Empire) for Authority to) **File No. ER-2023-0122**
Implement Rate Adjustments Related to the) Tariff No. JE-2023-0060
Company's Fuel and Purchase Power Adjustment)
(FAC) Required in 20 CSR 4240-20.090)

In the Matter of the True-Up of The Empire District)
Electric Company d/b/a Liberty (Empire) Fuel) **File No. EO-2023-0123**
Adjustment Clause (FAC) True-Up)

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND SETTING DEADLINES FOR INTERVENTION APPLICATIONS AND STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: October 4, 2022

Effective Date: October 4, 2022

On September 30, 2022, The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty (Liberty) submitted direct testimony and a revised tariff sheet proposing a revised fuel adjustment rate and bearing an effective date of December 1. Also on September 30, Liberty initiated a rate adjustment true-up, to be included in the proposed fuel adjustment rate.

Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090 provides a 60-day timeline for resolution of these rate adjustment mechanism proceedings. The Commission will direct notice be given and set a deadline for intervention applications. The Commission will also direct Staff to file recommendations in both cases, as required by 20 CSR 4240-20.090.

Parties to Liberty's most recent general rate proceeding in which the Commission established, continued, or modified the electric utility's rate adjustment mechanism are automatically parties to these proceedings without application for intervention, pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-20.090(17). Thus, the parties to File No. ER-2021-0312 are parties to these cases.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's data center shall add the parties to File No. ER-2021-0312 to the service list for these cases, and shall provide a copy of this order to those parties.
2. The Commission's data center shall provide notice of this order to the county commissions for each county in Liberty's service territory.
3. The Commission's Public Policy and Outreach Department shall provide notice of this order to news media serving residents in Liberty's service territory and members of the General Assembly representing residents in Liberty's service territory.
4. Applications for intervention shall be filed no later than October 15.
5. No later than October 31,¹ the Staff of the Commission shall file recommendations reporting Staff's examination and analysis of Liberty's application and tariff sheet in these two cases, as provided by 20 CSR 4240-20.090(8) and (9).
6. Any response to Liberty's proposed fuel adjustment rate and/or proposed true-up amount from the Office of the Public Counsel and other parties shall be filed no later than November 10, 2022, as provided by 20 CSR 4240-20.090(8) and (9).
7. This order shall be effective when issued.



Ross Keeling, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 4th day of October, 2022.

BY THE COMMISSION

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

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

¹ The rule provides Staff's recommendation is due 30 days after Liberty's September 30, 2022 filing, which is Sunday, October 30, 2022.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 4th day of October, 2022.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

October 4, 2022

File/Case No. ER-2023-0122 and EO-2023-0123

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Recipients listed above with a valid e-mail address will receive electronic service. Recipients without a valid e-mail address will receive paper service.