

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

In the Matter of the Empire District)	
Electric Company's 2015 Annual)	<u>Case No. EO-2015-0216</u>
Update Report Filing Pursuant to)	
4 CSR 240-22.080)	

STAFF COMMENTS

COMES NOW, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and as contemplated by Rule 4 CSR 240-22.080(3)(D), files the attached Staff comments to Empire's Rule 4 CSR 240-22.0802015 annual update report.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail or First Class United States Postal Mail, postage prepaid, on this 1st day of May, 2015, to all counsel of record.

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