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 Company's) Fuel and Purchase Power Adjustment) (FAC) Required in 20 CSR 4240-20.090)

File No. ER-2020-0311 Tariff No. JE-2020-0171

In the Matter of the True-Up of The Empire District Electric Company's Fuel Adjustment Clause (FAC)

File No. EO-2020-0312 Tariff No. JE-2020-0171

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

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Issue Date: April 3, 2020

Effective Date: April 3, 2020

On April 1, 2020, The Empire District Electric Company filed a revised tariff sheet proposing a revised fuel adjustment rate through November 2020. Empire requests the Commission approve the tariff effective June 1, 2020. Also on April 1, 2020, Empire initiated a rate adjustment mechanism true-up through May 30, 2020.

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 Empire'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-2016-0023 are parties to these cases. In addition, the Commission will direct notice of this filing to the parties to Empire's ongoing rate case, ER-2019-0374.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's data center shall provide notice of this order to all parties in File No. ER-2019-0374. The Commission's data center shall add the parties to File No. ER-2016-0023 to the service list for these cases.

2. The Commission's data center shall provide notice of this order to the county commissions for each county in The Empire District Electric Company's service territory.

3. The Commission's Public Policy and Outreach Department shall provide notice of this order to news media serving residents in Empire's service territory and members of the General Assembly representing residents in Empire's service territory.

4. Applications for intervention shall be filed no later than April 15, 2020. Any such filing shall be submitted through the Commission's electronic filing and information system or delivered to:

Secretary Missouri Public Service Commission P. O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102

5. No later than May 1, 2020, the Commission's Staff shall file recommendations reporting Staff's examination and analysis of Empire's application and tariff sheet in these two cases.

6. This order shall be effective when issued.



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Jana C. Jacobs, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo (2016).

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 3rd day of April, 2020.