

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

In the Matter of the Tariff Filing of The Empire)	
District Electric Company to Implement a General)	Case No. ER-2006-0315
Rate Increase for Retail Electric Service Provided)	
to Customers in its Missouri Service Area.)	

POSTPONEMENT OF DEPOSITIONS

COMES NOW the Staff ("Staff") of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") and hereby notifies the Parties and the Commission of the Staff's postponement of the telephone depositions of two witnesses for The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") previously scheduled in the above-styled proceeding. The depositions of Steven M. Fetter and William L. Gipson previously scheduled for Tuesday, August 15, 2006 at 1:00 p.m., Central Daylight Time and Wednesday, August 16 at 1:00 p.m., Central Daylight Time, have been postponed, and will be rescheduled at a later time. The Staff has explained this change in plans to Empire and apologizes for any inconvenience this change may have caused.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to all counsel of record this 11th day of August 2006.

/s/Steven Dottheim