BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company's Application to Modify Its FAC Tariff File No. ER-2013-0442 Tariff No. YE-2013-0424

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

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Issue Date: April 24, 2013 Effective Date: April 24, 2013

On April 1, 2013, The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") filed a tariff meant to change its Fuel Adjustment Clause ("FAC") rate. That tariff bears an effective date of June 1, 2013.

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-20.090(4) requires Staff to file a Recommendation no later than thirty days after a utility files its tariff to adjust its FAC rates. Thus, the Commission will order its Staff to file a Recommendation.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Staff of the Commission shall file a Recommendation no later than May 1, 2013.

2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

Joshua Harden Secretary

Ronald D. Pridgin, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority Under Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 24th day of April, 2013.