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) File No. ER-2022-0095
To Implement Rate Adjustments Related to) Tariff No. JE-2022-0067
The Company's Fuel and Purchase Power)
(FAC) Required in 20 CRS 4240-20.090)
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In the Matter of the True-Up of the Empire)
District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty) File No. EO-2022-0096
(Empire) Fuel Adjustment Clause (FAC)) Tariff No. JE-2022-0067
True-Up)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TARIFF SHEET

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and for its Recommendation that the Commission approve the tariff sheet filed by the Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty (Empire) (Tracking No. JE-2022-0067). In support Staff states as follows:

- 1. On October 1, 2021, Liberty filed a revised tariff sheet proposing a revised fuel adjustment rate and bearing an effective date of December 1, 2021. Also, on October 1, 2021, Liberty initiated a rate adjustment mechanism true-up, to be included in the proposed fuel adjustment rate.
- 2. On October 1, 2021, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Notice and Setting Deadlines for Intervention Applications and Staff's Recommendation*. The *Order* stated no later than November 1, 2021, Commission Staff shall file recommendations reporting Staff's examination and analysis of Liberty's application and tariff sheet in these cases.
 - 3. On October 20, 2021, Liberty filed a substitute tariff sheet.

4. Based on its examination and analysis of the information Liberty filed and submitted in this case, Staff recommends the Commission issue an order approving the following proposed tariff sheet, to become effective on December 1, 2021, as requested by Liberty-Empire, subject to both true-up and prudence reviews.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends to the Commission that it approve the substitute tariff filed October 20, 2021, sheet to go into effect on or after December 1, 2021, the proposed effective date.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>/s/ Casi Aslin</u>

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing were mailed, electronically mailed, or hand-delivered to all counsel of record this 1st day of November, 2021.

<u>/s/ Casi Aslin</u>