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## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

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

Re: The Empire District Electric Company's 2013 Triennial Compliance Filing Pursuant to 4 CSR 240 –22

Dear Mr. Harden:

Pursuant to Chapter 22 of the Missouri Public Service Commission's (Commission) Rules (4 CSR 240-22.010 through 4 CSR 240-22.080) and the Commission's Order Granting Application for Waiver and Extension in File No. EO-2013-0405, The Empire District Electric Company (Empire or Company) hereby submits information in compliance with the Commission's Electric Utility Resource Planning report requirements (sometimes referred to as the "integrated resource plan" or "IRP").

This IRP filing contains eight (8) volumes in total. This includes an executive summary volume; a volume dedicated to the Missouri IRP filing requirements and an Index of Rule Compliance; and, six (6) technical volumes. The ordering and subject matter of the IRP volumes closely correspond to the IRP Rule sections. The technical volumes contain the rule reference and the Company's response as appropriate. The responses to Special Contemporary Issues can be found in the final chapter of Volume 6: Integrated Resource Plan and Risk Analysis. The eight (8) volumes that comprise the IRP filing can be summarized as follows:

- 1. Volume 1: Executive Summary
- 2. Volume 2: Missouri Filing Requirements and an Index of Rule Compliance
- 3. Volume 3: Load Analysis and Load Forecasting (4 CSR 240-22.030)
- 4. Volume 4: Supply-Side Resource Analysis (4 CSR 240-22.040)
- 5. Volume 4.5: Transmission and Distribution Analysis (4 CSR 240-22.045)
- 6. Volume 5: Demand-Side Resource Analysis (4 CSR 240-22.050)

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- 7. Volume 6: Integrated Resource Plan and Risk Analysis (4 CSR 240-22.060)
- 8. Volume 7: Resource Acquisition Strategy Selection (4 CSR 240-22.070)

Please note that portions of this filing have been designated as Highly Confidential in accordance with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.135.

Please direct communications concerning this filing to myself and to:

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Please bring this fling to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel.

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