

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

In the matter of the Application of The Empire)
District Electric Company and The Empire)
District Gas Company for Approval of their)
Cost Allocation Manual)

Case No. AO-2012-0062

STAFF JANUARY 2015 STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, and for its status report states that in the last day, January 29-30, 2015, the Staff has provided to the parties to this proceeding¹ a new draft of proposed language for The Empire District Electric Company's ("Empire") Electric Cost Allocation Manual ("CAM") taking into account the content of the CAMs that are being developed for Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCP&L") and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company ("GMO") in File No. EO-2014-0189. (The Staff, KCP&L, and GMO continue to be involved in CAM discussions in File No. EO-2014-0189 and Public Counsel is both involved in and following that activity.)

In sending the new draft of proposed language to Empire and the Public Counsel, the Staff has also sent several questions and proposed a meeting in Joplin at Empire's offices at a mutually convenient day and time to be determined by the parties in order to discuss these matters.

WHEREFORE, the Staff submits its January 2015 *Status Report*.

¹ The Empire District Electric Company and the Office of the Public Counsel ("Public Counsel").

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 30th day of January, 2015.

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