

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

Daniel E. Brown,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	<u>Case No. EC-2008-0384</u>
)	
Empire District Electric,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

**ORDER RESETTING THE DEADLINE FOR FILING A PROPOSED
PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE OR A STATUS REPORT**

Issue Date: November 25, 2008

Effective Date: November 25, 2008

On October 21, 2008, the Commission issued an order resetting the deadline for the filing of a proposed procedural schedule or, in the alternative, the filing of a status report. The new deadline was set for November 26. On November 25, The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") filed a status report informing the Commission of the progress made with on-going discussions between the parties. Empire further informed the Commission that it is in the process of conducting some engineering analyses to share and discuss with all of the parties. Consequently, Empire requests additional time to complete its analyses and settlement discussions.

Empire has requested the Commission allow the parties until December 17 to file either a proposed procedural schedule or a status report. Empire represents that no other party objects to its proposal. The Commission finds Empire's request reasonable and shall grant it. The Commission recognizes that the holidays are rapidly approaching and that the parties may be engaged in other activities requiring their time and attention. Consequently,

the Commission shall grant the extension until January 5, 2009. The parties are certainly free to file a status report or a procedural schedule prior to that time if they complete their settlement negotiations.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. No later than January 5, 2009, the parties shall jointly file either a status report or a procedural schedule.
2. If the parties need additional time for settlement discussions, they may so request.
3. This order shall become effective immediately upon issue.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', with a stylized, cursive script.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Harold Stearley, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority under
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 25th day of November, 2008.