BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)	
Company's Submission of its 2013 Renewable)	File No. EO-2013-0458
Energy Standard (RES) Compliance Plan)	

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION TO INTERVENE

Issue Date: May 16, 2013 Effective Date: May 16, 2013

On April 15, 2013, The Empire District Electric Company filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") its Annual Renewable Energy Standard Compliance Plan pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-20.100. On May 10, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources filed an application to intervene. The Commission set a deadline for any party wishing to respond to the application to intervene, but no parties have objected to the application. The application satisfies all requirements of Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075 and intervention will be granted.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The application to intervene filed by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources is granted.

2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Michael Bushmann, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 16th day of May, 2013.