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)	Case No. AO-2012-0062
District Gas Company for Approval of their		
Cost Allocation Manual)	

OCTOBER STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff ("Staff") of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"), and for its status report states that Staff has recently provided the parties a new draft of proposed language for Empire's Cost Allocation Manual taking into account some of the content of Laclede Gas Company's Cost Allocation Manual that was recently approved by the Commission in Case No. GC-2011-0098. Additional time is needed for review and discussion of the proposed changes.

WHEREFORE, Staff submits its October Status Report.

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 October, 2013.

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