

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)
Company's Application for Approval of Demand-)
Side Programs and for Authority to Establish a) **File No. EO-2014-0030**
Demand-Side Management Investment Mechanism)

ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Issue Date: December 10, 2013

Effective Date: December 10, 2013

On October 29, 2013, The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") filed the above-titled application. On December 6, 2013, the parties filed a Jointly Proposed Procedural Schedule ("proposed schedule").

The proposed schedule will not allow the Commission sufficient time to deliberate and write a Report and Order by the requested May 1, 2014 deadline. Thus, the Commission will set the schedule as follows.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The following schedule is set:

Rebuttal Testimony	January 13, 2014
Surrebuttal Testimony	February 5, 2014
Data Request response times change to 5 calendar days to object and 10 calendar days to respond	February 5, 2014
List of Issues	February 12, 2014
Position Statements	February 19, 2014
Settlement Discussions	February 24, 2014

Order of Witnesses, Order of Cross-examination, Order of Opening	February 27, 2014
Evidentiary Hearing	March 6-7, 2014
Initial Briefs	March 24, 2014
Reply Briefs	April 1, 2014

2. The procedural items agreed upon by the parties, and listed in paragraph 3 of the Jointly Proposed Procedural Schedule, are adopted, and the parties are ordered to comply with those items.

3. An evidentiary hearing shall be held on March 6-7, 2014, beginning at 8:30 a.m. each day, in Room 310 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. That room is in a building that meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person who needs additional accommodations to participate shall call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearing.

4. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Ronald D. Pridgin, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 10th day of December, 2013.