

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Staff's Audit of The Empire District )  
Electric Company's Expenditures Related to the )  
Asbury Environmental Retrofit Project )

**File No. EO-2014-0040**

## ORDER OPENING A CASE

Issue Date: August 21, 2013

Effective Date: August 21, 2013

On August 20, 2013, the Commission's Staff filed a motion asking the Commission to open a case to facilitate and retain discovery regarding Staff's audit of The Empire District Electric Company's construction of an Air Quality Control System at its Asbury Generating Station. As Staff's motion explains, this is not a contested case. Any consideration of the prudence of Empire's investment will occur in a subsequent rate case and not in this case. The Commission will open a case as Staff requests.

### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. This case is opened to facilitate and retain discovery regarding Staff's audit of The Empire District Electric Company's construction of an Air Quality Control System at its Asbury Generating Station.
2. The Empire District Electric Company is made a party to this case.
3. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

### BY THE COMMISSION



*Morris L. Woodruff*

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2013.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge