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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
  
TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS  
  
Prehearing Conference  
  
October 18, 2007  
Jefferson City, Missouri  
Volume 1

The Empire District Electric       )  
Company's 2007 Utility               )Case No. EO-2008-0069  
Resource Filing Pursuant to        )  
4 CSR 240 - Chapter 22               )

MORRIS L. WOODRUFF, Presiding,  
DEPUTY CHIEF REGULATORY LAW JUDGE

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 JUDGE WOODRUFF: All right. Well,  
3 let's go ahead and get on the record. This is  
4 Case No. EO-2008-0079, which is the Empire District  
5 Electric Company's 2007 utility resource planning  
6 filing, and we're here today for a prehearing  
7 conference.

8 We'll begin by taking entries of  
9 appearance, beginning with Empire.

10 MR. COOPER: Dean L. Cooper from the  
11 law firm of Brydon, Swearngen & England, PC,  
12 P.O. Box 456, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102,  
13 appearing on behalf of the Empire District Electric  
14 Company.

15 JUDGE WOODRUFF: And for Staff.

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20 JUDGE WOODRUFF: And for Public Counsel.

21 MR. MILLS: On behalf of the Public  
22 Counsel and the public, my name is Lewis Mills. My  
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24 Missouri 65102.

25 JUDGE WOODRUFF: For DNR.

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7 firm of Finnegan, Conrad & Peterson, 428 East Capitol,  
8 Suite 300, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101.

9                   JUDGE WOODRUFF: And I believe that's  
10 all the parties in the case.

11                   This prehearing conference is actually  
12 required by the regulation, and I don't have any  
13 specific task for you today other than to remind you  
14 that the Staff, Public Counsel and the Intervenor  
15 reports are due on January 23rd which would be due  
16 120 days after the company filed its IRP.

17                   Any other matters that anyone wants to  
18 discuss while we're the on record?

19                   (NO RESPONSE.)

20                   JUDGE WOODRUFF: Seeing none, then I'll  
21 leave you to your discussions, and hopefully they'll  
22 be productive. And if you need to request any  
23 further actions from the Commission, go ahead and  
24 file something.

25                   And with that, then, we're off the

1     record.  Thank you all very much.

2                     (WHEREUPON, the recorded portion of the  
3     prehearing conference was concluded.)

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