BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

| In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company |) | | | |
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| of Joplin, Missouri for Authority to File Tariffs Increasing |) | File No. | ER-2011-0 | <u> </u> |
| Rates for Electric Service Provided to Customers in the |) | Tariff No. | YE-2011-0 |)154 |
| Missouri Service Area of the Company |) | | | |

NOTICE REGARDING DISCOVERY CONFERENCE

Issue Date: May 16, 2011

On May 16, 2011, the Commission convened a discovery conference. The Office of the Public Counsel was the only party in attendance at the conference. Public Counsel informed the Regulatory Law Judge that he was aware of no discovery issues at this time. No party has filed a motion to compel discovery in this matter. To date, no party has raised any discovery issue with the Regulatory Law Judge.

BY THE COMMISSION

(SEAL)

Steven C. Reed Secretary

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 16th day of May, 2011.

Stearley, Senior Regulatory Law Judge