BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company of Joplin, Missouri for Authority to File Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric Service Provided to Customers in the Missouri Service Area of the Company) File No. ER-2011-0004 Tariff No. YE-2011-0154

NOTICE ADVISING PARTIES REGARDING PARTICIPATION IN PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND ADVISING HOW TO PARTICPATE BY TELEPHONE

Issue Date: October 28, 2010

On October 4, 2010, the Commission set a prehearing conference for November 1, 2010. Any individual, group or entity with an outstanding application for intervention that has not yet been granted shall be allowed to participate in the conference. Any party, or any individual, group or entity with an outstanding application for intervention that has not yet been granted, that wishes to participate in the conference by telephone may do so by calling (573) 522-5993 (entering password *456 at the prompt) at the time set for the conference.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Steven C. Reed

Secretary

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 28th day of October, 2010.

Stearley, Senior Regulatory Law Judge