

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of The Empire District)
Electric Company, The Empire District Gas Company,)
Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp., and)
Liberty Utilities (Missouri Water) LLC for an Affiliate)
Transactions Rule Variance.)

File No. AO-2018-0179

ORDER SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

Issue Date: March 6, 2018

Effective Date: March 6, 2018

On December 29, 2017, the Commission received the above-referenced application. The Commission gave notice of the application, and allowed potentially interested parties an opportunity to intervene. The Commission received no intervention requests.

The Staff of the Commission requested a prehearing conference, and indicated that the applicants and the Office of Public Counsel concurred in that request. Thus, the Commission will set a prehearing conference.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission will convene a prehearing conference on April 12, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. The conference will convene in Room 310, Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. That building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person who needs additional accommodations to participate in the conference or hearing shall contact the Commission, not later than the day before the event. Such contact shall be through the Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711. Any party

may participate in the pre-hearing conference by telephone by dialing 877-820-7831, and entering PIN 35666479# at the start time of the conference.

2. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "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 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 6th day of March, 2018.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 6th day of March 2018.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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