

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Empire District	)	
Electric Company d/b/a Liberty (Empire)	)	<u>File No. EO-2026-0090</u>
Fuel Adjustment Clause (FAC) True-Up	)	

STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION TO AUTHORIZE TRUE-UP

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”), through counsel, and for its recommendation states:

1. On October 1, 2025,¹ The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty (hereinafter “Liberty” or “Company”) filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”), in the form of direct testimony and supporting schedules of Liberty witness Monica K. Gloodt, its thirty-second true-up filing under the provisions of 20 CSR 4240-20.090(9).

2. On October 1, the Commission ordered Staff to file a recommendation by October 31.

3. Based on its examination and analysis of the information contained in Liberty’s true-up filing for Recovery Period 32 (“RP32”) (December 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025), during which Liberty over-collected \$1,806,161 from its customers, Staff presents its analysis in the attached Staff Memorandum, attached hereto as **Appendix A.**

4. The over-collected amount of \$1,806,161, which is the true-up amount for RP32, along with AP34 interest and recovery balances from AP32 and AP33, are included in the calculation of the Fuel and Purchased Power Adjustment (“FPA”) amount in Liberty’s AP34 adjustment filing, also filed on October 1, in File No. ER-2026-0089.

¹ Unless otherwise stated, all date references will be to 2025.

5. As set out in Staff's Memorandum, Staff reviewed the direct testimony of Liberty witness Monica K. Gloodt, the supporting schedules which Liberty provided with its application, the monthly reports which Liberty has submitted, and Liberty's monthly interest calculations. Staff agrees with those calculations.

7. Staff has verified that Liberty filed its 2024 annual report and is not delinquent on any assessment. Liberty is current on submission of its monthly reports, required by 20 CSR 4240-20.090(5), and its surveillance monitoring reports, required by 20 CSR 4240-20.090(6). Other than as noted in the attached Staff Memorandum, Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects or is affected by this true-up filing.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends the Commission approve Liberty's true-up filing for RP32 during which Liberty over-collected \$1,806,161 from its customers, for inclusion in the calculation of the Fuel Adjustment Rate ("FAR") amount in Liberty's AP34 adjustment filing in File No. ER-2026-0089.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the foregoing was served via e-mail on counsel for the parties of record on this 31st day of October, 2025.

/s/ Douglas W. Hennon

MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File
File No. EO-2026-0090
The Empire District Electric Company, d/b/a Liberty (Empire)

FROM: Stacy Henderson, Senior Utility Regulatory Auditor

DATE: /s/ Stacy Henderson October 31, 2025
Energy Resources Department / Date

SUBJECT: Staff's Analysis of and Recommendation Concerning The Empire District Electric Company, d/b/a Liberty (Empire) Thirty-Second Fuel Adjustment Clause True-up Filing Under the Provisions in 20 CSR 4240-20.090(9).

DATE: October 31, 2025

On October 1, 2025, The Empire District Electric Company, d/b/a Liberty (hereinafter "Liberty" or "Company") filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"), in the form of direct testimony and supporting schedules of Liberty witness Monica K. Gloodt, its thirty-second true-up filing under the provisions of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090(9).

Accumulation Period 32 ("AP32") includes the time period March 1, 2024, through August 31, 2024, and is followed by Recovery Period 32 ("RP32"), which includes the billing months of December 1, 2024, through May 31, 2025. The true-up amount of (\$1,806,161) identified in this filing is the result of an over-collection of the Fuel and Purchased Power Adjustment ("FPA") amount for AP32 during RP32.

The true-up amount of (\$1,806,161) for RP32 is included in the preliminary calculation of the Fuel and Purchased Power ("FPA") amount included in Liberty's Accumulation Period 34 ("AP34") adjustment filing, also filed on October 1, 2025, in File No. ER-2026-0089, which Liberty filed in compliance with its FAC.¹

¹ The Empire District Electric Company's P.S.C. Mo. No. 6, Section 4, 1st Revised Sheet No. 17p tariff sheet (Item (T) and item (I) are defined in P.S.C. Mo. No. 6, Section 4, 1st Revised Sheet No. 17o):

TRUE-UP OF FPA: In conjunction with an adjustment to its FAR, the Company will make a true-up filing with an adjustment to its FAC on the first Filing Date that occurs after completion of each Recovery Period. The true-up adjustment shall be the difference between the FPA revenues billed and the FPA revenues authorized for collection during the true-up recovery period, i.e. the true-up adjustment. Any true-up adjustments or refunds shall be reflected in item (T) above and shall include interest calculated as provided for in item (I) above.

The Commission Staff (“Staff”) examined the direct testimony of Liberty witness Monica K. Gloodt, the supporting schedules and work papers Liberty provided with its true-up filing in this case, and the monthly information Liberty has submitted to the Commission. Staff also reviewed and agrees with Liberty’s monthly interest calculations for RP32.

Based on its examination and analysis of information Liberty filed and submitted in this case, Staff recommends the Commission approve Liberty’s RP32 true-up filing for the billing months December 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025, during which Liberty over-collected (\$1,806,161) from its customers for inclusion in the calculation of the FPA amount in Liberty’s AP34 adjustment filing in File No. ER-2026-0089.

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In the Matter of The Empire District Electric)
Company d/b/a Liberty (Empire) Fuel) File No. EO-2026-0090
Adjustment Clause (FAC) True-Up)

AFFIDAVIT OF STACY HENDERSON

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss.
COUNTY OF COLE)

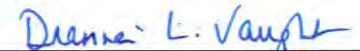
COMES NOW STACY HENDERSON and on her oath declares that she is of sound mind and lawful age; that she contributed to the foregoing *Staff Recommendation, in Memorandum form*; and that the same is true and correct according to her best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.


STACY HENDERSON

JURAT

Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this 29th day of October 2025.



Notary Public

