

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

In the Matter of the Request of The Empire)	
District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty for)	
Authority to File Tariffs Increasing Rates for)	<u>File No. ER-2024-0261</u>
Electric Service Provided to Customers In its)	
Missouri Service Area)	

REQUEST FOR CERTAIN PERSONS TO APPEAR REMOTELY

COMES NOW The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty (“Liberty” or “Empire”), by and through counsel, and states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) as its *Request for Certain Persons to Appear Remotely*:

1. On December 23, 2025, the Commission issued its *Order Scheduling On-The-Record Proceeding Under 20 CSR 4240-2.110(3)* (“Order”).

2. The Commission’s Order set this matter for an on-the-record proceeding to respond to Commission questions and cross-examination regarding the Supplemental Stipulation and the Global Stipulation and the interplay between them on January 7, 2026. It also directed that requests to appear remotely, for either counsel or witnesses, be filed no later than January 2, 2026.

3. Liberty has identified those witnesses that have information related to the subjects found in the Supplemental Stipulation and the Global Stipulation as well as those witnesses that are able to support statements, admissions, and arguments made in the briefs regarding the Stipulations.

4. The undersigned counsel and Liberty witnesses Charlotte Emery, Amy Walt and Aaron Doll plan to appear in person at the on-the-record proceeding.

5. Liberty requests counsel James Flaherty and Jermaine Grubbs, and witnesses James Fallert, Tim Lyons, Dan Dane, Michael McCuen, Candice Kelly, Todd Tarter, Nate Hackney,

Jeffrey Westfall, Brian Berkstresser, and Chris Kerr be permitted to be available and appear, if necessary, remotely. Such remote appearance would both make these persons available to answer any Commission questions that might call upon their area of expertise, while limiting travel time and expense, especially as to outside counsel, consultants and experts.

WHEREFORE, Liberty respectfully requests the Commission grant its request for the identified persons to be available and appear, if necessary, at the hearing to be conducted on January 7, 2026, and grant any additional relief as is just and proper under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the above document was filed in EFIS on this 2nd day of January 2026, with notification of the same being sent to all counsel of record, and I further certify that the above document was sent by electronic transmission to all counsel of record.

/s/ Dean L. Cooper