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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20426

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In Reply Refer To:
The Empire District Electric Company
Docket No. ER15-1405-000

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Dear Mr. Newell:

1. On June 26, 2015, you filed, in the above-referenced proceeding, a unilateral Offer of Settlement (Settlement) by The Empire District Electric Company (Empire). On July 1, 2015, Commission Trial Staff filed comments in support of the Settlement. No other comments were filed. On July 15, 2015, the Settlement Judge certified the Settlement to the Commission as an uncontested settlement.¹
2. The Settlement concerns Empire's cost-based annual revenue requirement for Reactive Supply and Voltage Control from Generation Sources Service (reactive service) for Empire's 7.52 percent ownership interest in Plum Point Energy Station.
3. The Settlement states that "[n]othing in this [Settlement] is intended to affect the Commission's authority, pursuant to section 205 of the Federal Power Act or otherwise, to review, accept (with or without conditions or modifications) or reject this [Settlement], or the legal standard applicable to the exercise of such authority."²

¹ *The Empire Dist. Elec. Co.*, 152 FERC ¶ 63,005 (2015).

² Settlement, § 3.5.

4. The Settlement resolves all issues in dispute this proceeding. The Settlement appears to be fair and reasonable and in the public interest, and is hereby approved. The Commission's approval of this Settlement does not constitute approval of, or precedent regarding, any principle or issue in this proceeding.

5. Empire is directed to file tariff revisions to Empire's reactive service tariff (Rate Schedule FERC No. 10) in eTariff format,³ within 30 days of the date of this order, to reflect the Commission's action in this order.

6. This letter order terminates Docket No. ER15-1405-000.

By direction of the Commission.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

³ *Electronic Tariff Filings*, Order No. 714, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,276 (2008).