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Mr. Josh Dellinger  
General Manager  
Empire Electric Association, Inc.  
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Cortez, CO 81321

Re: *Application of Empire Electric Association, Inc. to Change its Interest Rate for 2018* (Docket No. 18-025-01); and *Empire Electric Association, Inc.'s Update to its Capital Credit Interest Rate for 2018* (Docket No. 18-025-02)

Dear Mr. Dellinger:

The Public Service Commission of Utah (PSC) reviewed Empire Electric Association's (Empire) January 8, 2018 filing concerning changes to Empire's consumer deposit interest rate (Docket No. 18-025-01) and its January 22, 2018 filing concerning changes to Empire's capital credit interest rate (Docket No. 18-025-02).

On February 12, 2018, the PSC approved Empire's proposed 0.0367% consumer deposit interest rate in Docket No. 18-025-01, pursuant to Utah Admin. R746-200-3(A)(2). The PSC approved the rate after notice was provided and no Empire customer requested agency action and hearing regarding the proposed change.

While Docket No. 18-025-01 was pending, on January 22, 2018, in Docket No. 18-025-02, Empire notified the PSC it had updated its capital credit interest rate to 5.45%. On February 12, 2018, the Division of Public Utilities (DPU) filed comments related to Docket Nos. 18-025-01 and 18-025-02. In its comments, the DPU confirmed Empire's consumer deposit interest rate is now 0.0367%. The DPU further noted that Empire incorrectly stated its capital credit interest rate at 4.45% in its January 8, 2018 filing and the correct rate is 5.45% as identified in Empire's January 22, 2018 filing. According to the DPU, Empire's Board of Directors approved these

interest rates on December 1, 2017. The DPU recommended the PSC acknowledge Empire's interest rate changes for 2018.

Based on the PSC's review of Empire's filings and the DPU's comments, the PSC acknowledges Empire's interest rate changes for 2018 as 0.0367% for its consumer deposits and 5.45% for its capital credits.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg

PSC Secretary

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