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Gary Widerburg, Commission Secretary
Public Service Commission of Utah
Heber M. Wells Building
160 East 300 South, Fourth Floor
P. O. Box 45585
Salt Lake City, Utah 84145

Re: 2018 Empire Electric pole attachment agreement and associated fees and charges

Dear Mr. Widerburg:

Please find enclosed Empire Electric Association's standard pole attachment agreement. Exhibit E in the agreement shows the fees and charges associated with pole attachments. Our board has approved this agreement and the associated fees and charges. We plan for the fees and charges to become effective on January 1, 2018. We are confident that the agreement and annual rental charge meet the requirements of R746-345. We ask that the PSC acknowledge the receipt of these documents and make them available for public inspection. Copies of this agreement and all rate tariffs are on file at Empire's headquarters at 801 North Broadway, Cortez, Colorado, and are available for inspection during regular business hours.

We hope to have all our attachers on this standard agreement; however, we recognize that slight modifications may need to be made as we negotiate with individual attachers. Do we have the flexibility to make slight modifications to this agreement without having to re-file it with the PSC?

Also, we plan to update the annual rental charge each year based on our costs from the previous year. As long as we continue using the formula outlined in R746-345 and as long as we give proper notice to our attachers of any changes, do we need to re-file the updated rental charge each year?

This is being sent to you electronically at PSC@utah.gov without formal Commission hearing as authorized under Utah Code Section 54-7-12. A copy is being sent to the Division of Public Utilities as well. Should you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact me or our Executive Secretary, Denise Rosenbaugh, at denise.rosenbaugh@eea.coop.

Respectfully,

Josh Dellinger
General Manager, Empire Electric Association

cc: Division of Public Utilities

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