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**EMPIRE ANNOUNCES SCHEDULED
SERVICE INTERRUPTION IN FAIRPLAY, MISSOURI**

JOPLIN, MO – October 4, 2017 – The Empire District Electric Company has scheduled a brief service interruption in the Fairplay, Missouri, area on Friday morning, October 6, 2017, beginning at 12 a.m. and lasting approximately two hours. Customers should be aware these times are approximations and the outage could be postponed or extended due to weather or equipment issues.

Approximately 750 customers in and around Fairplay, Dunnegan, and Aldrich will be affected by the service interruption. A new substation will be put into service, and this scheduled outage is necessary to allow crews to safely transfer service from the temporary substation transformer to the new substation. This project is part of an ongoing initiative to strengthen the delivery system and enhance reliability for customers. We thank customers for their patience as we complete this work.

Based in Joplin, Missouri, The Empire District Electric Company is a subsidiary of Liberty Utilities Co. and headquarters for the Liberty Utilities Central Region, providing electric, natural gas, water, and wastewater service to nearly 320,000 customers across six states. A subsidiary of the company provides fiber optic services. For more information regarding Empire, visit www.empiredistrict.com. For more information about Liberty Utilities, visit www.libertyutilities.com.

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