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

JOPLIN, MO – October 9, 2017 – The Empire District Electric Company has scheduled a brief service interruption in the Collins, Missouri, area on Tuesday, October 10, 2017, beginning at 10 p.m. and lasting approximately 30 minutes. Customers should be aware these times are approximations and the outage could be postponed or extended due to weather or equipment issues.

Approximately 756 customers in and around Collins, Weaubleau, Gerster, and Vista will be affected by the service interruption. This scheduled outage is the result of substation maintenance and is necessary to ensure the safety of those involved. 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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