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

JOPLIN, MO – May 12, 2017 – The Empire District Electric Company has scheduled a brief service interruption in the Seneca, Missouri, area on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, beginning at 3 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 1,500 customers in and around Seneca will be affected by the service interruption. This scheduled outage is necessary to allow crews to safely perform preventive maintenance on substation equipment in an effort to enhance reliability for customers. Maintenance work will continue over the next several weeks. At the conclusion of the project, an additional brief outage will be necessary. A public notification will be issued in advance. 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 340,000 customers across seven 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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