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ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT OF ROY ROBERTS**



JOPLIN, MO – March 2, 2018 – Mr. Roy Roberts retired from The Empire District Electric Company on October 31, 2017, following 37 years of service.

Mr. Roberts joined the Company in February 1980 as a Janitor in Joplin. During his employment, Roberts held the positions of Riverton Plant Operator, and State Line Senior Operator Technician, the position he held at retirement.

Mr. Roberts graduated from Blue Valley High. He then received his bachelor's degree from Ozark Christian College, also studying Electrical Engineering Technology in the ICS.

Mr. Roberts previously worked at Lewis Truck & Tractor as a Lawn Care Foreman.

Mr. Roberts has two children and four grandchildren.

Based in Joplin, Missouri, Empire District 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 District, visit [www.empiredistrict.com](http://www.empiredistrict.com). For more information about Liberty Utilities, visit [www.libertyutilities.com](http://www.libertyutilities.com).

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