

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

The Honorable Dennis Hedke, Chairman

And Members of the House Energy and Environment Committee

FROM:

Whitney Damron

On behalf of The Empire District Electric Company

RE:

Company Overview

DATE:

January 16, 2015

Included with this cover memorandum is a corporate profile of The Empire District Electric Company, which I will summarize in my remarks to the Committee.

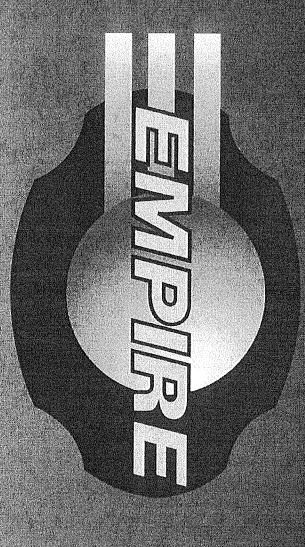
By way of information, Empire is an investor-owned, Kansas Corporation headquartered in Joplin, Missouri.

On behalf of Empire, we appreciate the opportunity to address the Committee today.

Thank you.

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Attachment



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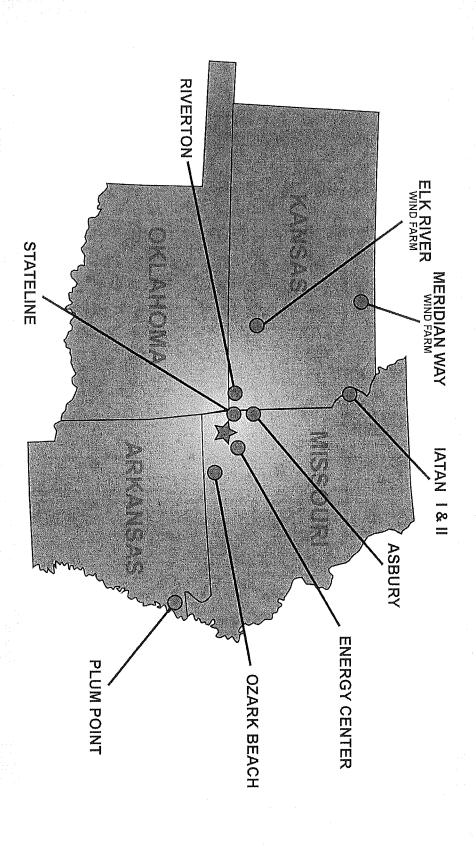
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## Investor-owned utility - NYSE: EDE

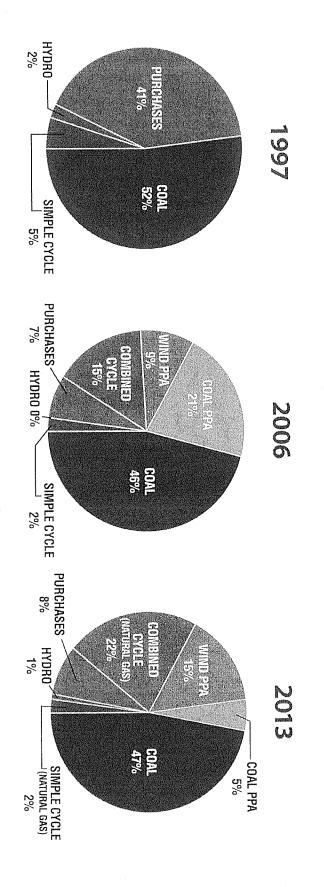
- Established in 1909
- 168,000 Electric customers
- 9,700 customers in Southeast Kansas
- 8,100 miles of line (transmission & distribution)
- 1,377 megawatts generating capacity
- 44,000 Natural Gas customers
- 1,200 transmission & distribution mains
- Fiber Optic & Water Service
- 750 employees

## npire's Generation Resources



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- Cost-effective
- Reduces risk
- Hedge against future environmental rules

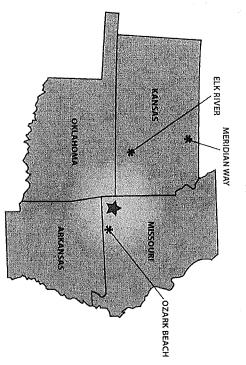


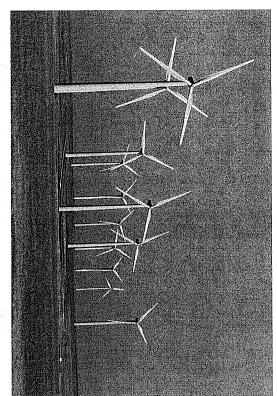
Purchases in 1997 include contract and non-contract PP, mainly coal purchases.

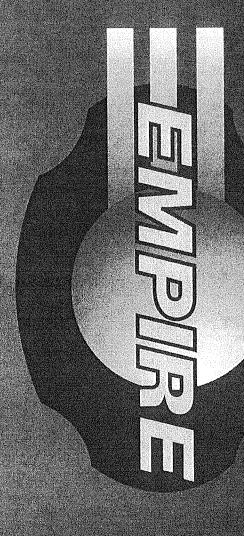
Combined and Simple Cycle represent natural gas generation.

### Renewable Energy

- Wind Energy
- Elk River Wind Farm
- 20-year contract (2005)
- 150 MW (100 turbines)
- Meridian Way Wind Farm
- 20-year contract (2008)
- 105 MW (35 turbines)
- □67,000 homes
- Hydro Power 1%
- Ozark Beach Power Plant
- Began operation in 1913







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