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LOBBYING REPORT

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1. Registrant Name The Empire District Electric Company			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported PO BOX 127 Joplin MO 64802 USA			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City State/Zip (or Country)			
4. Contact Name Yvonne A. McIntyre	Telephone (202) 508-5275	E-mail (optional) YAMcIntyre@aol.com	5. Senate ID # 13520-12
7. Client Name <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self			6. House ID # 30435000

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2000 Midyear (January 1-June 30) **OR** Year End (July 1-December 31)

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report
10. Check if this is a Termination Report >> Termination Date _____ 11. No Lobbying Activity

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13	
<p>12. Lobbying Firms</p> <p>INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> >> \$ _____ Income (nearest \$20,000)</p> <p>Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000 of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).</p>	<p>13. Organizations</p> <p>EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> >> \$ <u>\$60,000.00</u> Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</p> <p>14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(c) of the Internal Revenue Code</p>

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LOBBYING ACTIVITY. Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code HUD (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

Language in House VA-HUD FY 2001 appropriations bill relating to EPA ruling on Total Maximum Daily Loads under the Clean Water Act

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program funding in the Administration's FY 2001 budget proposal

Funding for clean air, energy efficiency, and climate change programs in the Administration's FY 2001 budget proposal

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

Department of Energy
Environmental Protection Agency
House of Representatives
Senate

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
McIntyre, Yvonne A.		No
Poling, Michael A.	Senate Energy and Natural Resources Cmte Counsel	No
Gipson, William L.		No

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above Check if None

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15. General issue area code CAW (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

S.673, Omnibus Mercury Emissions Reduction Act of 1999, Reduction of electric utility mercury emissions

S.1949, Clean Power Plant and Modernization Act of 1999, Reductions of/caps for electric utility emissions of NOx, SO2, CO2 and mercury

S.172, Acid Deposition and Ozone Control Act, Reduction of electric utility NOx and SO2 emissions

H.R.657, Acid Deposition Control Act, Reduction of electric utility NOx and SO2 emissions

H.R.2986, Clean Power Plant Act of 1999, Reductions of/caps for electric utility emissions of NOx, SO2, CO2 and mercury

H.R.2966, Clean Smokesstacks Act of 1999, Reduction of electric utility NOx, SO2 and mercury emissions

H.R.25, Acid Deposition and Ozone Control Act, Reduction of electric utility NOx and SO2 emissions

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

Environmental Protection Agency

Executive Office of the President

House of Representatives

Senate

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Poling, Michael A.	Senate Energy and Natural Resources Cmte Counsel	No
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16	Lobbying Issues	S.2417, Water Pollution Program Enhancements Act of 2000, EPA ruling on Total Maximum Daily Loads under the Clean Water Act
16	Lobbying Issues	H.R.4502, Water Pollution Program Improvement Act of 2000, EPA ruling on Total Maximum Daily Loads under the Clean Water Act
16	Lobbying Issues	EPA NOx SIP Call rule and revised National Ambient Air Quality Standards for ozone and PM 2.5
		Mercury regulations
		EPA revised rule for new source review (NSR)
		EPA/DOJ electric utility NSR violations enforcement initiative
		EPA ruling on Total Maximum Daily Loads under the Clean Water Act

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15. General issue area code ENY..... (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

S.1776, Climate Change Energy Policy Response Act, Coordination of federal climate change activities; promotion of climate change technology, research and development

S.1457, Forest Resources for the Environment and the Economy Act, Forestry projects related to reduction of atmospheric CO2 concentrations

H.R.2718, Brownfields Remediation Waste Act, Regulation of remediation waste separately from hazardous waste

H.R.2520, Credit for Voluntary Actions Act, Credit for voluntary efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions

S.1066, Carbon Cycle and Agricultural Best Practices Research Act, Promotion of education and research on agricultural practices and equipment to supplement and increase carbon storage in soils

S.882, Energy and Climate Policy Act of 1999, Providing incentives for and removing barriers to voluntary efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

Department of Agriculture
Department of Defense
Department of Energy
Department of Transportation
Department of Treasury
Environmental Protection Agency

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Gipson, William L.		No

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16	Lobbying Issues	S.547, Credit for Voluntary Reductions Act, Credit for voluntary efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
16	Lobbying Issues	H.R.2221, Small Business, Family Farms, and Constitutional Protection Act, Prevention of implementation of the Kyoto Protocol prior to Senate ratification
16	Lobbying Issues	Toxic Release Inventory Superfund - issues relating to recycling of coal-ash and lighting waste EPA regulatory determination on RCRA Bevill fossil fuel combustion wastes Administration supported programs related to Global Climate Change and the Kyoto Protocol Funding for climate change programs in the Administration's FY 2001 budget proposal
17a	House of Congress/Agencies	Executive Office of the President
17a	House of Congress/Agencies	House of Representatives
17a	House of Congress/Agencies	Office of the Vice President
17a	House of Congress/Agencies	Senate

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15. General issue area code RRR (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

- S.1590, Surface Transportation Board Improvement Act of 1999, Railroad competition and captive shipper relief
- H.R.3446, Surface Transportation Board Reform Act of 1999, Railroad competition and captive shipper relief
- H.R.3398, Surface Transportation Board Modernization Act, Railroad competition and captive shipper relief
- H.R.3163, Surface Transportation Board Reauthorization Act of 1999, Reauthorization of the Surface Transportation Board
- H.R.2784, Railroad Competition and Service Improvement Act of 1999, Railroad competition and captive shipper relief
- S.2604, Rail Competition Enforcement Act, Railroad competition and captive shipper relief
- H.R.4514, Rail Merger Reform and Customer Protection Act, Railroad competition and captive shipper relief
- S.747, Surface Transportation Board Reauthorization and Improvement Act of 1999, Reauthorization of the Surface Transportation Board and captive shipper relief

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None
Department of Transportation (Surface Transportation Board)
House of Representatives
Senate

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McIntyre, Yvonne A.		No
Poling, Michael A.	Senate Energy and Natural Resources Cmte Counsel	No
Gipson, William L.		No

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Item	Description	Data
16	Lobbying Issues	S.98, Surface Transportation Board Reauthorization Act of 1999, Reauthorization of the Surface Transportation Board
16	Lobbying Issues	S.621, Railroad Competition and Service Improvement Act of 1999, Railroad competition and captive shipper relief
16	Lobbying Issues	Administration actions relating to reauthorization of the Surface Transportation Board

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15. General issue area code TAX (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

S.1777, Climate Change Tax Amendments of 1999, Providing tax credits and incentives for voluntary reduction of greenhouse gas emissions

H.R.721, Bond Fairness and Protection Act of 1999, Tax-exempt bond financing and income tax on commercial sales for government-owned (municipal) utilities

H.R.1253, To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1996 to restrict the use of tax-exempt financing by governmentally owned electric utilities and to subject certain activities of such utilities., Tax-exempt bond financing and income tax on commercial sales for government-owned (municipal) utilities

S.386, Bond Fairness and Protection Act of 1999, Tax-exempt bond financing and income tax on commercial sales for government-owned (municipal) utilities

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

Department of Energy
House of Representatives
Senate

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<u>Poling, Michael A.</u>	<u>Senate Energy and Natural Resources Cmte Counsel</u>	No
<u>Gipson, William L.</u>		No

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16	Lobbying issues	Tax incentives for climate change and energy efficiency programs included in the Administration's FY 2001 budget proposal

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15. General issue area code UTI (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

- S.282, Transition to Competition in the Electric Industry Act, Repeal of the mandatory purchase obligation (Sec. 210) of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act
- H.R.667, The Power Bill, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
- H.R.971, Electric Power Consumer Rate Relief Act of 1999, Amendment of PURPA to facilitate the reduction of the costs of mandatory power purchase contracts
- H.R.1138, Ratepayer Protection Act, Repeal of the mandatory purchase obligation (Sec. 210) of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act (PURPA)
- H.R.1587, Electric Energy Empowerment Act of 1999, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
- H.R.1828, Comprehensive Electricity Competition Act, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
- H.R.2050, Electric Consumers' Power To Choose Act of 1999, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

- Department of Energy
- Department of Treasury
- Executive Office of the President
- Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- House of Representatives
- Senate

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16	Lobbying Issues	H.R.2363, Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1999, Repeal of the Public Utility Holding Company Act
16	Lobbying Issues	S.313, Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1999 , Repeal of the Public Utility Holding Company Act
16	Lobbying Issues	S.1369, Clean Energy Act of 1999, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
16	Lobbying Issues	S.1273, Federal Power Act Amendments of 1999, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
16	Lobbying Issues	S.1284, Electric Consumer Choice Act, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
16	Lobbying Issues	S.1047, Comprehensive Electricity Competition Act, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
16	Lobbying Issues	H.R.2645, To provide for the restructuring of the electric power industry, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
16	Lobbying Issues	S.2098, Electric Power Market Competition and Reliability Act, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
16	Lobbying Issues	S.2071, Electric Reliability 2000 Act, Electric utility reliability
16	Lobbying Issues	H.R.2569, Fair Energy Competition Act of 1999, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
16	Lobbying Issues	H.R.2602, National Electricity Interstate Transmission Reliability Act, Electric utility reliability
16	Lobbying Issues	H.R.2734, Community Choice for Electricity Act of 1999, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
16	Lobbying Issues	H.R.2786, Interstate Transmission Act, Transmission issues relating to electric utility restructuring
16	Lobbying Issues	H.R.2944, Electricity Competition and Reliability Act, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
16	Lobbying Issues	S.516, Electric Utility Restructuring Empowerment and Competitiveness Act of 1999, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
16	Lobbying Issues	All issues relating to the restructuring of and competition in the electric utility industry
16	Lobbying Issues	FERC regional transmission organization final rule The Administration's electric utility restructuring proposal