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Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - **All Filers Are Required to Complete This Page**

1. Registrant Name
The Empire District Electric Company

2. Registrant Address ☐ Check if different than previously reported
Address **PO BOX 127**
City **Joplin** State/Zip (or Country) **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 ☒ Self

6. House ID # **30435000**

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year **1999** 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

12. Lobbying Firms

INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:

Less than $10,000 ☐

$10,000 or more ☐ >> $ _____
Income (nearest $20,000)

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).

13. Organizations

EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:

Less than $10,000 ☐

$10,000 or more ☒ >> $ **$20,000.00**
Expenses (nearest $20,000)

14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.

☒ **Method A.** Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only

☐ **Method B.** Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code

☐ **Method C.** Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

Signature _____ Date **2/9/99**

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Registrant Name: **The Empire District Electric Company**

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15. General issue area code **BUD** (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues
H.R.2684, Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000, Funding for regional haze programs; prohibition of EPA funds to implement Kyoto Protocol; extension of TMDL rulemaking comment period; language regarding EPA authorization of Section 126 petitions in relation to NOx SIP Call litigation
H.R.3037, Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program funding
H.R.3064, Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program funding
H.R.3194, Making consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program funding

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ☐ Check if None
Environmental Protection Agency
Executive Office of the President
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
Gipson, William L.		**No**
McIntyre, Yvonne A.		**No**
Poling, Michael A.	**Senate Energy and Natural Resources Cmte Counsel**	**No**

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

Signature _____ Date **2/9/99**

Printed Name and Title **William L. Gipson - Vice President, Commercial Operations**

Registrant Name: The Empire District Electric Company

Client Name: The Empire District Electric Company

Item	Description	Data
16	Lobbying Issues	H.R.3424, Departments of Labor, Health, and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program funding
16	Lobbying Issues	S.1596, Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000, Funding for regional haze programs; prohibition of EPA funds to implement Kyoto Protocol; extension of TMDL rulemaking comment period; language regarding EPA authorization of Section 126 petitions in relation to NOx SIP Call litigation
16	Lobbying Issues	S.1650, Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program funding
16	Lobbying Issues	Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program funding in the Administration's FY 2000 budget proposal Funding for clean air and climate change programs in the Administration's FY 2000 budget proposal

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

16. Specific Lobbying issues
H.R.25, Acid Deposition and Ozone Control Act, Reduction of electric utility NOx and SO2 emissions
H.R.2684, Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000, Regional Haze rule implementation funding; extension of TMDL rulemaking comment period; language regarding EPA authorization of Section 126 petitions in relation to NOx SIP Call litigation
H.R.2900, Clean Smokestacks Act of 1999, Reduction of electric utility NOx, SO2 and mercury emissions
H.R.2980, Clean Power Plant Act of 1999, Reductions of/caps for electric utility emissions of NOx, SO2, CO2 and mercury
H.R.657, Acid Deposition Control Act, Reduction of electric utility NOx and SO2 emissions
S.1596, Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000, Regional Haze rule implementation funding; extension of TMDL rulemaking comment period; language regarding EPA authorization of Section 126 petitions in relation to NOx SIP Call litigation

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

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Printed Name and Title **William L. Gipson - Vice President, Commercial Operations**

Registrant Name: The Empire District Electric Company

Client Name: The Empire District Electric Company

Item	Description	Data
16	Lobbying Issues	S.172, Acid Deposition and Ozone Control Act, Reduction of electric utility NOx and SO2 emissions
16	Lobbying Issues	S.1949, Clean Power Plant and Modernization Act of 1999, Reductions of/caps for electric utility emissions of NOx, SO2, CO2 and mercury
16	Lobbying Issues	S.673, Omnibus Mercury Emissions Reduction Act of 1999, Reduction of electric utility mercury emissions
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

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

16. Specific Lobbying issues
H.R.2221, Small Business, Family Farms, and Constitutional Protection Act, Prevention of implementation of the Kyoto Protocol prior to Senate ratification
H.R.2520, Credit for Voluntary Actions Act, Credit for voluntary efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
H.R.2684, Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000, Prohibition of EPA funds to implement the Kyoto Protocol
H.R.2718, Brownfields Remediation Waste Act, Regulation of remediation waste seperately from hazardous waste
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.1457, Forest Resources for the Environment and the Economy Act, Forestry projects related to reduction of atmospheric CO2 concentrations
S.547, Credit for Voluntary Reductions Act, Credit for voluntary efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ☐ Check if None
Department of Energy
Department of Treasury
Environmental Protection Agency
Executive Office of the President
House of Representatives
Office of the Vice President
Senate

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

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

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16	Lobbying Issues	S.1596, Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000, Prohibition of EPA funds to implement the Kyoto Protocol
16	Lobbying Issues	S.1776, Climate Change Energy Policy Response Act, Coordination of federal climate change activities; promotion of climate change technology, research and development
16	Lobbying Issues	S.882, Energy and Climate Policy Act of 1999, Providing incentives for and removing barriers to voluntary efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
16	Lobbying Issues	Toxic Release Inventory Superfund - issues relating to recycling of coal-ash and lighting waste Administration supported programs related to Global Climate Change and the Kyoto Protocol

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

16. Specific Lobbying issues
H.R.2784, Railroad Competition and Service Improvement Act of 1999, Railroad competition and captive shipper relief
H.R.3163, Surface Transportation Board Reauthorization Act of 1999, Reauthorization of the Surface Transportation Board
H.R.3398, Surface Transportation Board Modernization Act, Railroad competition and captive shipper relief
H.R.3446, Surface Transportation Board Reform Act of 1999, Railroad competition and captive shipper relief
S.1590, Surface Transportation Board Improvement Act of 1999, Railroad competition and captive shipper relief
S.621, Railroad Competition and Service Improvement Act of 1999, 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
S.98, Surface Transportation Board Reauthorization Act of 1999, Reauthorization of the Surface Transportation Board

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted ☐ Check if None
Department of Transportation (Surface Transportation Board)
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
Gipson, William L.		No
McIntyre, Yvonne A.		No
Poling, Michael A.	Senate Energy and Natural Resources Cmte Counsel	No

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Registrant Name: The Empire District Electric Company

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Item	Description	Data
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
H.R.1253, To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 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
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
S.1777, Climate Change Tax Amendments of 1999, Providing tax credits and incentives for voluntary reduction of greenhouse gas emissions
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

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

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

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

16. Specific Lobbying issues
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
H.R.2363, Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1999, Repeal of the Public Utility Holding Company Act
H.R.2569, Fair Energy Competition Act of 1999, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
H.R.2602, National Electricity Interstate Transmission Reliability Act, Electric utility reliability
H.R.2734, Community Choice for Electricity Act of 1999, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
H.R.2786, Interstate Transmission Act, Transmission issues relating to electric utility restructuring
H.R.2944, Electricity Competition and Reliability Act, 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

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

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

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Signature William L. Gipson Date 2/9/99

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Item	Description	Data
16	Lobbying Issues	H.R.667, The Power Bill, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
16	Lobbying Issues	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
16	Lobbying Issues	S.1047, Comprehensive Electricity Competition Act, 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.1369, Clean Energy Act of 1999, Electric utility industry restructuring and competition
16	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
16	Lobbying Issues	S.313, Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1999 , Repeal of the Public Utility Holding Company Act
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 FERC regional transmission organization NOPR and final rule
16	Lobbying Issues	The Administration's electric utility restructuring proposal