

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a)
Evergy Missouri West's Tariffs Changing the) **File No. HT-2020-0326**
Steam QCA for Service Provided to Customers) **Tariff No. YH-2021-0142**
in its Service Territory)

ORDER APPROVING QUARTERLY COST ADJUSTMENT TARIFF

Issue Date: February 18, 2021

Effective Date: March 1, 2021

On January 15, 2021, Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West filed the pending tariff sheet, Tariff No. YH-2021-0142, setting forth the quarterly cost adjustment (QCA) for the fourth quarter of calendar year 2020. On February 8, 2021, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed its recommendation that the Commission issue an order approving the tariff sheet.

In its verified recommendation, Staff states that it has reviewed the tariff sheet and the mathematical calculations provided by Evergy Missouri West and is of the opinion that Evergy Missouri West has calculated the QCA for the fourth quarter of 2020 in accordance with the standards set forth in Evergy Missouri West's Tariff Sheet Nos. 6.6 through 6.10¹. Staff recommends the Commission approve the proposed tariff sheet. Parties were given until February 17, 2020, to respond to Staff's recommendation. No party has objected or filed any response to either Staff's recommendation or Evergy Missouri West's pending tariff sheet.

The proposed tariff sheet reflects a negative charge, or credit, per million British Thermal Units ("BTU") of (\$0.6218) as compared to a negative charge per million BTU of (\$1.0852) that was reflected on the previous Tariff Sheet No. 6.10. The QCA negative

¹ See File Numbers HR-2005-0450, HR-2009-0092, HR-2010-0028, and HR-2018-0231.

charge is a reduction to customer bills to reflect the customer share of the variation in fuel cost for the most recent quarter. For a steam service customer, this reduced credit would mean an increase of approximately \$463.00 for every thousand MMBTUs used, as compared to the previous quarter.

The decrease of the negative charge, or credit, reflects the net effect of:

- a. A \$268,520 increase in the quarterly adjusted fuel costs when compared to the same quarter last year; and
- b. A decrease of the Reconciliation Rate component of \$16,948 when compared to the same quarter last year.

The Commission has reviewed Evergy Missouri West's tariff sheet and Staff's verified recommendation. Based on these filings, the Commission finds that the tariff sheet is in compliance with the Commission's previous orders and Evergy Missouri West's current tariff provisions. The Commission approves the tariff sheet as ordered below.

As the application and recommendation are unopposed, and so that this tariff may go into effect expeditiously on the requested effective date, the Commission will make this order effective in less than thirty days.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Tariff No. YH-2021-0142, submitted on January 15, 2021, is approved to become effective March 1, 2021. The tariff sheet approved is:

P.S.C. MO. No. 1

47th Revised Sheet No. 6.10, Canceling 46th Revised Sheet No. 6.10

2. This order shall become effective on March 1, 2021.

3. This file shall close on March 2, 2021.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Charles Hatcher, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo (2016).

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 18th day of February, 2021.