

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Evergy Metro, Inc.)
d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro’s Request) Case No. ER-2022-0129
for Authority to Implement A General)
Rate Increase for Electric Service)
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In the Matter of Evergy Missouri West,)
Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West’s)
Request for Authority to Implement A) Case No. ER-2022-0130
General Rate Increase for Electric)
Service)
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**RESPONSE TO ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME AND SUBSTITUTE
TARIFF SHEETS**

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel (“OPC”) and for its *Response to Order Granting Extension of Time and Substitute Tariff Sheets*, states as follows:

1. On December 19, 2022, Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro (“Evergy Metro”) and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West (“Evergy West”) (collectively “Evergy” or “the Company”) filed compliance tariff sheets in the above styled cases.

2. The Commission issued an *Order Granting Extension of Time* on December 20, 2022, which ordered, in part, that “any party that wishes to respond to the compliance tariff filings shall do so no later than December 27, 2022.”

3. Subsequent to the Commission’s *Order*, the OPC meet with Evergy and the Commission’s Staff to address its concerns regarding the compliance tariff sheets.

4. In relation to these and other discussions, the Company filed substitute tariff sheets on December 21, 22, 23, and 27.

5. The OPC believes that the most recently filed substitute tariff sheets (filed December 27, 2022) address the specific concerns that the OPC has been able to identify and discuss with the Company.

6. However, the OPC continues to note that its outstanding *Motion for Reconsideration or in the Alternative, Application for Rehearing* may materially alter the revenue requirement (and hence the presently filed tariff sheets) yet again and that the Commission should not permit tariff sheets to go into effect until the Commission's *Report and Order* establishing rates has become final.

7. The OPC therefore requests that the Commission rule on its outstanding *Motion for Reconsideration or in the Alternative, Application for Rehearing* prior to the effective date of Evergy's tariffs, which the Company has itself requested the Commission extend to January 10, 2023.

WHEREFORE, the Office of the Public Counsel respectfully requests the Commission rule on its outstanding *Motion for Reconsideration or in the Alternative, Application for Rehearing* prior to the effective date of Evergy's tariffs and to grant any other relief as is reasonable under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the forgoing have been mailed, emailed, or hand-delivered to all counsel of record this twenty-seventh day of December, 2022.

 /s/ John Clizer