BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Tariff Filings of)		
Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy)		
Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri)	File No.	ET-2023-0290
West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West)		

APPLICATION TO INTERVENE OF VELVET TECH SERVICES, LLC AND MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT

COMES NOW Velvet Tech Services, LLC ("Velvet Tech Services"), pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.075 of the Missouri Public Service Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, and for its Application to Intervene respectfully states as follows:

- 1. Velvet Tech Services, LLC ("Velvet") is planning to site a new hyperscale enterprise data center near Kansas City, Missouri.
- 2. On November 10, 2022, Evergy Missouri Metro ("Evergy") filed an application for approval of a special high load factor market rate.
- 3. In EO-2022-0061, Velvet sought and obtained approval of a special high load factor market rate tariff in Evergy Missouri West (Schedule MKT).
- 4. In EO-2022-0061 Velvet indicated it would seek LPS service with the application of Schedule PED beginning in mid-2023.
- 5. As a customer seeking to utilize the Schedule PED tariff in the next several months, Velvet's interests are different than that of the general public.
- 6. The proposed Schedule PED tariff sheets filed in this matter by Evergy submitted as a result of the changes made by the General Assembly in Section 393.1640, RSMo. Those changes are now effective and Evergy's

service under Schedule PED must comply with the new provisions in Section 393.1640, RSMo.

- 7. Any delay in approving Schedule PED tariff sheets that comply with law will create a harm to Velvet as Velvet will be taking service under Section 393.1640, RSMo, and Schedule PED prior to the effective date established by the Commission's current suspension order but the current Schedule PED does not conform to Section 393.1640, RSMo.
- 8. Velvet does not yet have a position on all the terms in the proposed Schedule PED tariff sheets in this case but does take the position that those tariff sheets are necessary to conform to Section 393.1640, RSMo, that those tariff sheets need to be effective as soon as possible but no later than May 15, 2023, and further reserves the right to take positions on any other issues as this case proceeds.
- 9. Velvet's intervention will serve the public interest by assisting the record for the Commission's decision in this case.
- 10. Correspondence or communications regarding this application, including service of all notices and orders of this Commission, should be addressed to:

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MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT

Velvet requests that the Commission expeditiously grant this Motion by April 10, 2022. By doing so, the Commission will avoid the harm that would be making a decision regarding a tariff without the input of the only known affected customer. There will be no negative effects from the granting of this Motion. This Motion was filed as soon as it could have been under the circumstances.

WHEREFORE, Velvet respectfully requests that the Commission issue its order granting its Application for Intervention and that it be made a party hereto with all rights to participate in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served upon all of the parties of record or their counsel, pursuant to the Service List maintained by the Data Center of the Missouri Public Service Commission on March 31, 2023.

/s/ Stephanie S. Bell
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