

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Evergy Missouri West, )  
Inc.'s Tariffs Changing the Steam QCA ) **File No. HT-2019-0319**  
for Service Provided to Customers in its ) Tariff No. YH-2020-0114  
Service Territory )

## ORDER APPROVING QUARTERLY COST ADJUSTMENT TARIFF

Issue Date: February 18, 2020

Effective Date: March 1, 2020

On January 15, 2020, Evergy Missouri West, Inc. (Evergy West) filed the pending tariff sheet, Tariff No. YH-2020-0114, setting forth the Quarterly Cost Adjustment (QCA) for the fourth quarter of calendar year 2019. The filed tariff sheet has an effective date of March 1, 2020.

In its verified recommendation submitted on February 4, 2020, Staff states that it has reviewed the tariff sheet and the mathematical calculations Evergy West provided. Staff is of the opinion that Evergy West has calculated the QCA for the fourth quarter of 2019 in accordance with the appropriate tariff provisions<sup>1</sup>. Staff recommends the Commission approve the proposed tariff sheet or allow it to become effective by operation of law. Commission rule allows parties ten days to respond to pleadings. No responses were received.

The proposed tariff sheet increases the customer credit to \$1.7865 per million British Thermal Units (MMBTU) from a credit of \$1.4539 in the previous tariff sheet. This translates to a decrease cost to the customer of approximately \$332.60 for every

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<sup>1</sup> See File Numbers HR-2005-0450, HR-2009-0092, and HR-2010-0028.

thousand MMBTUs used. The credit is reflective of the customer share of the variation in fuel cost for the most recent quarter.<sup>2</sup>

The Commission has reviewed Evergy West's submitted 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 West's current tariff provisions. The Commission approves the tariff sheet as ordered below.

As the requested effective date of the tariff is less than 30 days away, and as the application is unopposed, the Commission will make this order effective in less than 30 days.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. Tariff No. YH-2020-0114, submitted on January 15, 2020, is approved to become effective March 1, 2020. The tariff sheet approved is:

**P.S.C. MO. No. 1**

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**43<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 6.10, Canceling 42<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 6.10**

2. This order shall become effective on March 1, 2020.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in cursive script 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.

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<sup>2</sup> The increase to the customer credit is the net effect of a \$1,101,659 decrease in the quarterly adjusted fuel costs compared to the same quarter last year, combined with a decrease of the Reconciliation Rate (R Factor) component of \$79,787 when compared to the same quarter last year.