

# 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                 ) **File No. HT-2021-0351**  
Changing the Steam QCA for Service                 ) Tracking No. JH-2021-0183  
Provided to Customers in Service Territory         )

## ORDER APPROVING QUARTERLY COST ADJUSTMENT TARIFF

Issue Date: May 17, 2021

Effective Date: June 1, 2021

On April 15, 2021, Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West (Evergy Missouri West) filed the pending tariff sheet, Tariff No. JH-2021-0183, setting forth the quarterly cost adjustment (QCA) for the first quarter of 2021. The effective date is June 1, 2021. The adjustment is required by Evergy Missouri West's Quarterly Cost Adjustment Rider, which the Commission approved in File No. HR-2005-0450, and modified in File Nos. HR-2009-0092, HR-2010-0028, and HR-2018-0231. On May 14, 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 first quarter of 2021 in accordance with the standards set forth in Evergy Missouri West's Tariff Sheet Nos. 6.6 through 6.10. Staff recommends the Commission approve the proposed tariff sheet. Parties were given until noon on May 17, 2021, to respond to Staff's recommendation. No party has objected or filed any response either to Staff's recommendation or to Evergy Missouri West's pending tariff sheet.

The proposed tariff sheet reflects a negative charge, or credit, per million British Thermal Units (“BTU”) of (\$0.3425)<sup>1</sup> as compared to a negative charge per million BTU of (\$0.6218) that was reflected on the previous Tariff Sheet No. 6.10. The change resulting from this filing causes a decrease of the customer credit in the QCA Rider rate and reflects the net effect of:

- a. a \$465,255 increase in the quarterly adjusted fuel costs when compared to the same quarter last year; and
- b. an increase of the Reconciliation Rate (“R Factor”) component of \$25,371 when compared to the same quarter last year.

For a steam customer, the change resulting from this filing causes a billing credit reduction, which is effectively a billing increase of \$279.30 for every thousand MMBTUs used.

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.

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<sup>1</sup> A “(bracketed amount)” represents a credit to the customer. The credit is also referred to as a “negative charge” as reflected by the brackets.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. Tariff No. JH-2021-0183, issued on April 15, 2021, is approved to become effective June 1, 2021. The tariff sheet approved is:

**P.S.C. MO. No. 1**  
**48<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 6.10 Canceling 47<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 6.10**

2. This Order shall be effective on June 1, 2021.
3. This file shall be closed on June 2, 2021.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Paul T. Graham, Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant  
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.