# STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2021.

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy	)
Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro	)
and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a	) <u>File</u>
Evergy Missouri West for Approval of the	) Tracl
Income-Eligible Weatherization Tariff and	) Tracl
Automation of the Income-eligible	)
Weatherization Program	)

#### File No. ET-2022-0145

Tracking No. JE-2022-0170 Tracking No. JE-2022-0169

#### ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

Issue Date: December 22, 2021 Effective Date: December 31, 2021

On December 2, 2021, Evergy Missouri Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West (collectively "Evergy") filed their Amended Application of Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West for Approval of the Income-Eligible Weatherization Tariff, Automation of the Income-Eligible Weatherization Program, and Motion for Variance of 60-Day Notice, and filed revised tariff sheets, tracking numbers JE-2022-0169 and JE-2022-0170, that would update its Income-Eligible Weatherization (IEW) Programs and requesting a waiver from the Commission's 60-day notice requirement pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1)(D). The revised tariff sheets have an effective date of December 31, 2021. Evergy seeks to broaden the scope of the IEW programs by offering customers the option to elect the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), criteria of state median income, instead of the current U.S. Department of Energy weatherization guidelines, to determine eligibility for the program, and by eliminating the kWh per year and years of service

requirements. Evergy also proposes use of a portion of the budgeted funds to retain talent and incentivize workers, and to allocate a portion of the program funds to work with a vendor to build an application that will help automate processes within the program.

On December 15, 2021, In its Staff Recommendation and Memorandum, Staff recommended that the Commission approve tariff sheets, tracking numbers JE-2022-0169 and JE-2022-0170, and grant Evergy's request for waiver of the Commission's 60-day notice requirement pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1)(D). The Commission issued notice and time to respond, and no party has responded to that recommendation.<sup>1</sup>

Based on the recommendation of its Staff, the Commission will approve the tariff sheets. The Commission will further authorize this order to take effect in less than thirty days to match the effective dates of the tariffs.

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The following tariff sheets filed by Evergy Missouri Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro, and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West, and assigned Tracking numbers JE-2022-0169 and JE-2022-0170, are approved to become effective on December 31, 2021:

# PSC Mo. No. 7 3rd Revised Sheet No. 43, CANCELLING 2nd Revised Sheet No. 43 PSC Mo. No. 1 4th Revised Sheet No. R-60, CANCELLING 3rd Revised Sheet No. R-60

<sup>1</sup> Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.080(13) allows parties ten days to respond to any pleading unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

- 2. The requests for waiver of the Commission's 60-day waiver requirement pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1)(D) are hereby granted.
  - 3. This order shall become effective on December 31, 2021.
  - 4. This case shall be closed on January 1, 2022.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff

Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Rupp, Coleman, Holsman, and Kolkmeyer CC., concur.

Keeling, Regulatory Law Judge

#### STATE OF MISSOURI

#### OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2021.

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Morris L. Woodruff

**Secretary** 

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#### File/Case No. ET-2022-0145

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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