

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022.

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy )  
Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro )  
Containing Its Semi-Annual Fuel )  
Adjustment Clause True-Up )

**File No. EO-2023-0029**

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy )  
Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro for )  
Authority to Implement Rate Adjustments )  
Required by 20 CSR 4240-20.090(8) and )  
the Company's Approved Fuel and )  
Purchased Power Cost Recovery )  
Mechanism )

**File No. ER-2023-0030**  
Tracking No. JE-2023-0021

**ORDER APPROVING FUEL ADJUSTMENT  
TRUE-UP AND APPROVING TARIFF TO CHANGE  
FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE RATES**

Issue Date: September 14, 2022

Effective Date: October 1, 2022

On July 29, 2022, in File No. ER-2023-0030, Evergy Missouri Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro (Evergy Metro) submitted direct testimony and a tariff designed to implement an adjustment to its Fuel and Purchased Power Adjustment Clause (FAC). Evergy Metro also submitted an application containing its eleventh true-up filing for its FAC in File No. EO-2023-0029. Evergy Metro requests that the Commission authorize a true-up adjustment and implement it under its FAC tariff, bearing an effective date of October 1, 2022.

On August 26, 2022, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a recommendation that the Commission approve Evergy Metro's true-up amount and tariff. No other responses were filed.

## **FAC True-Up**

In File No. EO-2023-0029, Evergy Metro requests approval of its true-up amount to be included in that FAC adjustment for Recovery Period 11 (RP11), which began April 1, 2021, and ended March 31, 2022. The true-up amount identified in this filing is the result of Evergy Metro's over-collection of \$494,160 from its customers during RP11; a correction due to the extraordinary costs for Winter Storm Uri in an amount due to the customers of \$499,252, plus interest of \$7,341; and a Commission ordered adjustment due to customers of \$152,165, plus interest of \$7,947.<sup>1</sup> The total proposed true-up adjustment due to customers is \$1,160,865. That true-up amount for RP11 is included in Evergy Metro's proposed changes to its current period fuel adjustment rates in its semi-annual FAC filing in File No. ER-2023-0030, for Accumulation Period 14 (AP14), which began January 1, 2022, and ended June 30, 2022.

The Staff reviewed and analyzed the information that Evergy Metro filed and submitted for RP11 and determined that Evergy Metro's calculations for the true-up amount for RP11 are correct. Staff recommends that the Commission approve Evergy Metro's true-up filing for RP11.

Based on the Commission's review of the verified filings, the Commission finds that it is in the public interest to approve Evergy Metro's true-up amount for inclusion in AP14 in File ER-2023-0030.

## **FAC Tariff**

On July 29, 2022, in File No. ER-2023-0030, Evergy Metro filed a tariff proposing to increase the company's fuel adjustment rates (FARs), as provided by

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<sup>1</sup> Originally from File No. EO-2020-0263, later consolidated in File No. EO-2020-0262.

Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090(8). Evergy Metro’s filing indicates the increased rates are designed to recover a fuel and purchased power adjustment of \$178,390, which was calculated using the various adjustments explained above.

Thus, the tariff is designed to make the following changes to the FAR per kilowatt hour (kWh):

<b>Fuel Adjustment Rates (\$ per kWh)</b>			
<b>Service Level</b>	<b>Current FAR</b>	<b>Proposed FAR</b>	<b>Difference</b>
<b>Transmission</b>	(\$0.00349)	(\$0.00333)	\$0.00016 Increase
<b>Substation</b>	(\$0.00350)	(\$0.00334)	\$0.00016 Increase
<b>Primary</b>	(\$0.00359)	(\$0.00342)	\$0.00017 Increase
<b>Secondary</b>	(\$0.00366)	(\$0.00349)	\$0.00017 Increase

The proposed change to the secondary service FAR, means that a residential customer using 1,000 kWh per month would see an increase in the fuel adjustment charge by about \$.42 per month, from \$.11 to \$.53 per month.

The Commission has reviewed Evergy Metro’s verified application, its tariff filing, and Staff's verified recommendation, and finds that the tariff implementing the FAC rate adjustment is in compliance with the Commission’s order establishing the FAC and with all applicable statutes and regulations. Therefore, the Commission will approve Evergy Metro’s proposed tariff.

Without Commission action, the tariff will become effective by operation of law on October 1, 2022. Additionally, the Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090(8) requires the Commission to issue an order within 60 days of the tariff filing. Therefore, the

Commission finds it reasonable to make this order effective in less than 30 days.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The true-up amount for RP11 is established for Evergy Metro as an over-collection from its customers of \$1,160,865 and shall be reflected in the AP14 rate in File No. ER-2023-0030.

2. The following proposed revised tariff sheet, assigned Tariff No. JE-2023-0021, is approved, subject to true-up and prudence review, and shall be effective on October 1, 2022:

**P.S.C. MO. No. 7**

**8th Revised Sheet No. 50.31, Canceling 7th Revised Sheet No. 50.31**

3. This order shall become effective on October 1, 2022.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

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

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Coleman, Holsman, and  
Kolkmeier CC., concur.  
Rupp, C., absent.

Seyer, 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 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022.**



  
**Morris L. Woodruff**  
**Secretary**

**MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**September 14, 2022**

**File/Case No. EO-2023-0029 and ER-2023-0030**

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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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