# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy	)	
Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro	)	File No. EF-2023-0425
for Authority to Issue Debt Securities	)	

### ORDER DIRECTING STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: August 23, 2023 Effective Date: August 23, 2023

On August 23, 2023, Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro ("Evergy Metro") filed an application with the Commission requesting authority to refinance \$79 million of existing tax-exempt Environmental Improvement Revenue Refunding bonds, scheduled to mature on December 1, 2023.

Evergy Metro also seeks expedited treatment of its refinancing application, requesting that a Commission order on the application be effective no later than October 20, 2023, to allow for sufficient time before the maturity date "due to the relative complexity of tax-exempt issuances and the tight issuance windows in November and December due to the holidays and [Third Quarter] earnings blackout."

The Commission will direct its Staff to file an expedited recommendation regarding Evergy Metro's application. If Staff finds it requires more time to prepare a recommendation, it may request additional time.

The Commission will also order replies to Staff's recommendation in a shortened time frame.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Evergy Missouri Metro's Application to Issue Debt Securities and Motion for Expedited Treatment, p. 5.

# THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. No later than September 13, 2023, Staff shall file a recommendation regarding Evergy Metro's application requesting authority to refinance \$79 million of existing tax-exempt Environmental Improvement Revenue Refunding bonds.
- 2. Responses to Staff's recommendation shall be filed no later than September 20, 2023.
  - This order is effective when issued.

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BY THE COMMISSION

Nancy Dippell Secretary

Kenneth J. Seyer, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority under Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2023.

# 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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2023.

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Nancy Dippell Secretary

# MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION August 23, 2023

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

Sincerely,

Nancy Dippell Secretary

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