

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

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

File No. EO-2023-0010

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

File No. ER-2023-0011
Tracking No. JE-2023-0005

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and for its Staff Recommendation states as follows:

1. On July 1, 2022, Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West filed a proposed revised tariff sheet with a revised fuel adjustment rate and bearing an effective date of September 1, 2022.
2. Also on July 1, 2022, Evergy Missouri West initiated a rate adjustment mechanism true-up, to be included in the proposed revised fuel adjustment rate.
3. On July 5, 2022, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Notice and Setting Deadlines for Intervention Applications and Staff's Recommendation*. The Order stated that no later than July 29, 2022, Staff shall file recommendations regarding its analysis of Evergy Missouri West's application and proposed tariff sheet.
4. Based on its examination and analysis of the information Evergy Missouri West filed and submitted in this case, Staff recommends the Commission issue an order approving Evergy Missouri West's twenty-seventh true-up filing but rejecting the proposed

tariff rate sheets. The order should direct Evergy Missouri West to file a substituted tariff sheet that includes the \$31 million costs in this AP 30 filing. If the Commission supports Staff's position that the \$31 million in fuel costs must be included in the FAR filing, but timing prevents inclusion in the current FAR, Staff recommends including the \$31 million in the next FAR filing , subject to both true-up and prudence reviews.

5. Further explanation of this recommendation is provided in the memos attached to this pleading.

WHEREFORE, Staff submits this recommendation for the Commission's information and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing were mailed, electronically mailed, or hand-delivered to all counsel of record this 28th day of July, 2022.

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