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 File No. EO-2023-0010) West Containing its Semi-Annual Fuel) Adjustment Clause True-Up) In the Matter of the Application of Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West for Authority to Implement Rate File No. ER-2023-0011 Adjustments Required by 20 CSR 4240-Tracking No. JE-2023-0005 20.090(8) and the Company's Approved Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery

ORDER DIRECTING STAFF TO PROVIDE EXPEDITED RESPONSE AND SETTING DEADLINE FOR OTHER RESPONSES

Issue Date: August 11, 2022

Mechanism

Effective Date: August 11, 2022

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. 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.

On July 28, 2022, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed its *Staff Recommendation* in which it recommended that the Commission issue an order approving Evergy Missouri West's 27th fuel adjustment clause (FAC) true-up filing in the under-collected amount of \$351,155, but rejecting the proposed tariff rate sheets. Staff recommended that the Commission direct Evergy Missouri West to file a substitute tariff sheet that includes \$31 million of extraordinary fuel costs in its 30th accumulation period

FAC or, alternatively, to include the \$31 million in its next fuel adjustment rate (FAR) filing, subject to true-up and prudence reviews.

On August 8, 2022, Evergy Missouri West filed a *Response to Staff Recommendation and Request for Hearing* (Response). In its Response, Evergy Missouri West agreed with Staff's recommendation that the under-collection of \$351,155 in its 27th FAC true-up be approved by the Commission. However, Evergy Missouri West disagrees with Staff's recommendation that the Commission direct Evergy Missouri West to file a substitute tariff sheet that includes \$31 million of extraordinary fuel costs in its 30th accumulation period FAC or, alternatively, to include the \$31 million in its next FAR filing.

In its Response, Evergy Missouri West requests the submitted tariff, which represents only the under-collection of \$351,155, be approved; and that a hearing be conducted regarding the disputed amount.

The Commission will order Staff to respond to Evergy Missouri West's request in its Response for Commission approval of the submitted tariff sheets and a subsequent hearing regarding the disputed amount. The Commission will allow other parties to respond, as well.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Staff shall submit a response to Evergy Missouri West's Response, filed August 8, 2022, no later than 12:00 p.m. on August 15, 2022.

2. Any other parties wishing to respond to Evergy Missouri West's Response shall do so no later than 12:00 p.m. on August 15, 2022.

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3. This order shall be effective when issued.



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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 11th day of August, 2022.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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 11th day of August, 2022.



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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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File/Case No. EO-2023-0010 and ER-2023-0011

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

Sincerely,

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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