

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

In the Matter of the Application of Jack and            )  
Tammy Duncan for Change of Electric                )  
Supplier to Platte-Clay Electrical Cooperative        )  
from Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy        )  
Missouri West    )  
**File No. EO-2023-0105**

**STAFF’S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION**

**COMES NOW** Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through the undersigned counsel, and respectfully states as follows:

1. In its *Order* on November 18, 2022, the Commission ordered Staff to file a recommendation in that case no later than May 18, 2023.
2. Previously on November 3, 2022, Applicants filed its *Motion for Continuance* (“Motion”). The Applicants informed the Commission of their meetings with Evergy Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West (“Evergy Missouri” or “Company”). The Applicants requested the Commission order a continuance of the Commissions deadline for filing a recommendation from November 18, 2022 to May 18, 2023.
3. On November 3, 2022, Evergy Missouri and Platte-Clay Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“Platte-Clay”) filed their response to the *Application*. The Company supported the Applicant’s motion due to their negotiations to resolve issues and retained their right to amend their response to the *Application*.
4. On November 18, 2022, Staff responded to the Applicant’s Motion.
5. Staff made numerous attempts to reach Applicants regarding their status. This week, Staff was able to get updated contact information for the Applicants. Staff was

also made aware of Applicant's desire to place the case in a brief stay due to some exigent personal circumstances. Staff does not oppose an extension of the proceedings.

6. At this time, Staff respectfully requests the proceeding be extended six months, to allow Applicants to attend to any interceding matters before resuming the proceedings. Staff suggests that towards the end of the six-month period, in November 2023, Evergy Missouri and Platte-Clay file their formal responses to the *Application*, addressing the allegations therein. These responses will be necessary for Staff to evaluate the change of supplier request. Staff recommends its evaluation of the request and subsequent filed recommendation be due approximately 30 days after Evergy Missouri and Platte-Clay filed their responses. Staff further suggests that the Applicants file a response within 30 days of Staff's recommendation, indicating if the Applicants would still like to proceed with the case, require additional time, or would be withdrawing or otherwise resolving the request without the need for a Commission decision.

7. Staff has reached out to the parties in this matter regarding this proposed schedule. The Applicants have indicated they are agreeable to Staff's outlined approach. Counsel for Evergy Missouri does not oppose an extension or continuance in this matter. Staff did reach out to counsel for Platte-Clay, but at the time of this filing has not received a response.

**WHEREFORE**, Staff respectfully requests a continuance in the proceedings for a period of six months, to be followed by resumption of the case in the matter outlined above, and for the Commission to order any other further relief it finds just in the circumstance.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023.

**/s/ Eric Vandergriff**