## 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	) ) <u>File No. EO-2023-0244</u>
Metro Containing its Semi-Annual Fuel	)
Adjustment Clause True-Up	
In the Matter of the Application of Evergy	)
Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri	File No. ER-2023-0245
Metro for Authority to Implement Rate	) Tracking No. JE-2023-0139
Adjustments Required by	)
20 CRS 4240-20.090(8) and the Company's	)
Approved Fuel and Purchased Power Cost	)
Recovery Mechanism	)

## **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 January 31, 2023, Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro ("Evergy Missouri Metro") filed a proposed revised tariff sheet, P.S.C. Mo. No. 7 9<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 50.31, with a revised fuel adjustment rate and bearing an effective date of April 1, 2023.
- 2. Also on January 31, 2023, Evergy Missouri Metro initiated a rate adjustment mechanism true-up under File No. EO-2023-0244 to identify the true-up amount of (\$278,946) for the twelfth Recovery Period ("RP12"), to be included in the proposed revised fuel adjustment rate. Also included in RP12 is a one-time FAC Prudence Adjustment of (\$703,825) for 2017 vintage expired RECs, plus interest on that adjustment for (\$28,134)¹. Based on the true-up amount of (\$278,946) and the Prudence Adjustment

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In the Company's fourth FAC prudence review, Case No. EO-2022-0064, the Commission approved the Non-Unanimous Partial Stipulation an Agreement, filed on July 25, 2022.

of (\$703,825) and interest of (\$28,134), the total true-up adjustment due to be refunded to customers is \$1,010,906.

- 3. On February 1, 2023, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Notice and Setting Deadlines for Intervention Applications and Staff's Recommendation*. The *Order* stated that no later than March 2, 2023, Staff shall file recommendations regarding its analysis of Evergy Missouri Metro's application and proposed tariff sheet.
- 4. Based on its examination and analysis of the information Evergy Missouri Metro filed and submitted in this case, Staff recommends the Commission issue an order approving Evergy Missouri Metro's true-up filing and approving the proposed tariff rate sheet, P.S.C. Mo. No. 7 9<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 50.31.
- 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 1st day of March, 2023.

<u>/s/ Casi Aslin</u>