## STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held by telephone and internet audio conference on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021.

In the Matter of Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West's Notice of Intent to File Applications for Authority to Establish a Demand-Side Programs Investment Mechanism

File No. EO-2019-0132

## ORDER APPROVING AN UPDATE TO EVERGY MISSOURI METRO AND EVERGY MISSOURI WEST'S EVALUATION MEASUREMENT AND VERIFICATION PLAN

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Issue Date: February 24, 2021

Effective Date: March 26, 2021

On February 2, 2021, Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West (collectively "Evergy") filed an application to update its Missouri Energy Efficiency Investment Act Cycle 3 (MEEIA Cycle 3) Evaluation Measurement & Verification (EM&V) plans. Evergy seeks to modify the plans to reflect updated EM&V methodologies and responsibilities, report formats, and reporting timelines. Evergy submitted two separate plans because there are two EM&V contractors carrying out MEEIA Cycle 3 evaluations.<sup>1</sup> One contractor will evaluate, measure, and verify the information tracked by Evergy for its portfolio of seven residential programs and three demand response programs for the three-year program cycle beginning January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2022. A second contractor will evaluate, measure, and verify the information tracked by Evergy for its portfolio of three commercial and industrial demand-side management programs and one educational and behavioral

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Those plans are attached to Evergy's application as Exhibit A and Exhibit B.

program for the three-year program cycle beginning January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2022. Evergy's application requests the Commission approve its updated EM&V plans.

Evergy discussed the updated plans with the Missouri stakeholder group, and they expressed no concerns. Evergy also provided the updated plans to the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) on January 29, 2021. The Commission ordered Staff to file a recommendation regarding Evergy's updated EM&V plans no later than February 12, 2021. Any responses to Staff's recommendation or Evergy's updated EM&V plans were due on February 17, 2021. Staff timely filed its recommendation, and no other responses were received.

Staff's recommendation supports the revisions to the updated EM&V plans. Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order approving Evergy's updated MEEIA Cycle 3 EM&V plans. After reviewing Evergy's application and Staff's recommendation, the Commission concludes that Evergy's updated MEEIA Cycle 3 EM&V plans should be approved.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West's updated MEEIA Cycle
3 EM&V plans are approved.

2. This order shall become effective on March 26, 2021.

3. This file shall be closed on March 29, 2021.

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BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Kenney, Rupp, Coleman, and Holsman CC., concur.

Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge