

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

In the Matter of a Determination of Special)
Contemporary Resource Planning Issues to)
be Addressed by Evergy Missouri West in) **File No. EO-2023-0101**
its Next Triennial Compliance Filing or Next)
Annual Update Report)

**STAFF SUGGESTIONS FOR SPECIAL CONTEMPORARY
RESOURCE PLANNING ISSUES**

COMES NOW, Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through the undersigned counsel, and for its response to the Commission’s September 13, 2022, *Order Opening A File Regarding Special Contemporary Resource Planning Issues And Offering An Opportunity To File Suggestions*, respectfully states:

1. Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West is to host an annual update workshop on or about April 1, 2023.¹ Evergy Missouri West’s next triennial compliance filing is scheduled for April 1, 2024.²

2. The Commission is to issue an order containing a list of special contemporary issues for Evergy Missouri West to analyze and document in its next triennial compliance filing or next annual update report.³

3. The purpose of the special contemporary issues lists is to ensure that evolving regulatory, economic, financial, environmental, energy, technical, or customer issues are adequately addressed by each utility in its electric resource planning.⁴

¹ 20 CSR 4240-22.080(3) states, “...on or about April 1 of every year in which the utility is not required to submit a triennial compliance filing, each electric utility shall host an annual update workshop...”

20 CSR 4240-22.080(3)(B) states, “The utility shall prepare an annual update report... and shall file the annual update reports with the commission no less than twenty (20) days prior to the annual update workshop...”

² 20 CSR 4240-22.080(1)(A) requires Evergy Missouri West to submit its triennial compliance filing on April 1 every third year, beginning in 2012.

³ 20 CSR 4240-22.080(4).

⁴ *Id.*

4. Pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-22.080(4)(A), Staff suggests Evergy Missouri West include and address the following special contemporary issues in its next annual update report:

- A. The Company shall provide details of its plans to utilize securitization. Details shall include but are not limited to: 1) type of items to be securitized; 2) explanation for need of securitization for each item; 3) how it plans to utilize securitization for each item; 4) estimated costs of securitized items; 5) comparison of ratepayer costs and benefits.
- B. In its next annual update filing, the Company shall provide detailed analysis comparing ratepayer risks and shareholder risks for additional generation resources which are not required to meet federal, state, or RTO requirements.
- C. Given the recent COVID pandemic and the Winter Storm Uri weather event, the Company shall provide details of its plan for handling future emergency events such as these. The details provided shall give a clear plan for maintaining supply-side resource generation and public welfare during emergency events.

WHEREFORE, Staff suggests Evergy Missouri West address in its next annual update report the special contemporary issues set forth above.

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 counsel of record on this 15th day of September, 2022.

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