

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

In the Matter of an Agreement Between) Case No. EO-2021-0032
Evergy, Inc and Elliott Management, Inc.)

AARP’S APPLICATION TO INTERVENE

COMES NOW AARP¹, by and through counsel, pursuant to Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075, and respectfully requests formal intervention as a party in the above-captioned matter.

In support of this petition, AARP states as follows:

1. AARP, with millions of members in all 50 States and the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Virgin Islands, is a nonpartisan, nonprofit, nationwide organization that helps people turn their goals and dreams into real possibilities, strengthens communities and fights for the issues that matter most to families such as healthcare, employment and income security, retirement planning, affordable utilities and protection from financial abuse.

AARP has over 700,000 members in Missouri, many of whom are residential electric customers of Evergy, Inc.

2. AARP’s interest in this matter is concern over Evergy’s plan to spend more on investments than has been previously deemed reasonable, and this plan could lead to unnecessarily higher rates for Missouri residential electric consumers.

¹In 1999, the “American Association of Retired Persons” changed its name to simply “AARP”, in recognition of the fact that people do not have to be retired to become members.

3. People aged 50 and over are impacted most directly by variations in energy prices. These consumers also devote a higher percentage of their total spending than do other age groups towards residential energy costs (“energy burden”). Many older consumers also have special needs and safety concerns about their access to electric service. AARP wishes to ensure that residential energy customers, including those over age 50, are represented by a party that is exclusively looking after their interests.

4. AARP’s interest is unique and its intervention in this case is in the public interest.

WHEREFORE, AARP respectfully requests formal intervention in this matter for all purposes, and that the Commission order the parties to develop a proposed procedural schedule that includes an evidentiary hearing allowing an opportunity to fully explore the issues presented by the Company’s Application.

Dated: October 23, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, emailed or hand-delivered to all parties listed on the official service list on this 23rd day of October, 2020.

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