

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

In the Matter of an Agreement Between Evergy,)
Inc., and Elliott Management, Inc.) File No. EO-2021-0032
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EVERGY QUARTERLY UPDATE ON MATERIAL CHANGES TO STP

COME NOW, Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro (“Evergy Missouri Metro”) and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West (“Evergy Missouri West”) (collectively the “Company” or “Evergy”) and submit this *Quarterly Update on Material Changes to STP*, as required by the Missouri Public Service Commission’s (“Commission”) *Order Directing Additional Quarterly Status Updates* issued in this docket on December 8, 2021 (“Order”). In support thereof, the Company states as follows:

1. The STP announced in August 2020 is essentially a broad plan to guide Evergy’s strategic actions for its utility business over an approximate five-year period (2020-2024). In addition to the STP Report that was filed in this docket¹, Evergy held four separate presentations for the Commission, the Staff and other interested stakeholders. The presentations dealt with the following topics: (1) Grid Modernization (December 11, 2020); (2) Operational Efficiencies (January 7, 2021); (3) Customer Experience (February 4, 2021); and (4) IRP Update (June 7, 2021).

2. As stated in Evergy’s June 1, 2021 *Quarterly Update on Material Changes to the STP filing*² (“June 1 Quarterly Report”), Evergy filed its 2021 Capital Investment Plan and 5-

¹ See, *Evergy Notice of Filing Sustainability Transformation Plan*, August 26, 2020, Docket No. EO-2021-0032.

² See, *Evergy Quarterly Update on Material Changes to STP*, June 1, 2021, Docket No. EO-2021-0032.

Year Forecast³ on February 26, 2021 and its 2021 Triennial IRP⁴ on April 30, 2021, with stakeholder meetings held to discuss each filing. The June 1 Quarterly Report stated that neither the capital plan filings nor the IRP filings presented any information that was materially different for Evergy's Missouri utilities from the previously disclosed information.

3. Resource planning is a largely continuous process, as such Evergy continues to review its resource plans and changing market conditions. The Company intends to file its 2022 IRP Annual Update by June 10, 2022, with a corresponding stakeholder workshop to be held on or about July 1, 2022.⁴

4. Evergy's December 1, 2020 *Quarterly Update on Material Changes to the STP filing*⁵ highlighted that the Company held an Investor Day virtually on September 21, 2021. The information shared during Investor Day did not present any material changes to the STP for Missouri customers.

5. Since the December Quarterly Report, Evergy Missouri West and Evergy Missouri Metro filed rate reviews⁶ on January 7, 2022. The Company also filed its 2022 Capital Investment Plan and 5-Year Forecast on February 28, 2022⁷. The 5-Year Forecast filed on February 28 covers the years 2022 through 2026, compared to the STP plan that covers years 2020 through 2024. Details of the capital plan filings for Evergy Missouri West and Evergy

³ See, *Evergy Missouri West's Report of 2020 Capital Investment* dated February 26, 2021 and *Evergy Missouri West's CORRECTED Report of 2020 Capital Investment* dated March 1, 2021, Docket No. EO-2019-0045; *Evergy Missouri Metro's Report of 2020 Capital Investment* dated February 26, 2021 and *Evergy Missouri Metro's CORRECTED Report of 2020 Capital Investment* dated March 1, 2021, Docket No. EO-2019-0047.

⁴ See, *Order Granting Motion to Extend Time for Annual Update*, February 17, 2022, Docket No. EO-2022-0201 and EO-2022-0202.

⁵ See, *Evergy Quarterly Update on Material Changes to STP*, December 1, 2021, Docket No. EO-2021-0032.

⁶ See, *In the Matter of Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro's Request for Authority to Implement A General Rate Increase for Electric Service*, Docket No. ER-2022-0129; and *In the Matter of Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West's Request for Authority to Implement A General Rate Increase for Electric Service*, Docket No. ER-2022-0130.

⁷ See, *Evergy Missouri West's Report of 2021 Capital Investment* dated February 28, 2022, Docket No. EO-2019-0045; and *Evergy Missouri Metro's Report of 2021 Capital Investment* dated February 28, 2022, Docket No. EO-2019-0047.

Missouri Metro can be found in Case No. Dockets EO-2019-0045 and EO-2019-0047, respectively. A virtual Public Stakeholder Meeting to discuss the filing is scheduled for March 24. The capital plan filings highlighted a summary of Evergy's 2021 actual capital spend, as well as the planned infrastructure investment in Missouri during 2022-2026.

WHEREFORE, the Company files this *Quarterly Update on Material Changes to STP* for the Commission's information.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was served upon all counsel of record on this 1st day of March 2022, via e-mail.

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