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 Metro)	
and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a)	File No. EU-2020-0350
Evergy Missouri West for an Accounting)	
Authority Order Allowing the Companies to)	
Record and Preserve Costs Related to)	
COVID-19 Expenses)	

ORDER SUSPENDING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE AND CONTINUING HEARING

Issue Date: September 28, 2020 Effective Date: September 28, 2020

On July 1, 2020, the Commission issued its *Order Setting Procedural Schedule* and set a hearing date of September 30-October 1, 2020. On September 23, 2020, the Commission ordered a remote hearing in this matter. On September 28, 2020, the Commission issued its *Procedural Order Regarding Exhibits*.

On September 28, 2020, Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West (collectively "Evergy"), filed a *Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule*, requesting the Commission immediately suspend the procedural schedule to permit the parties to pursue settlement discussions. Evergy proposes that no later than October 5, 2020, it will advise the Commission whether the discussions are likely to produce an agreement. Evergy advises all parties have consented to a request to immediately suspend the procedural schedule, with the exception of Sierra Club, which had not responded to e-mail inquiries as of filing.

Based on Evergy's *Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule*, the hearing scheduled for September 30-October 1, 2020, will be continued. The Commission will suspend the procedural schedule and order a status report.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The procedural schedule is suspended, and all obligations under procedural orders issued in this case are immediately suspended.
- 2. The hearing scheduled for September 30-October 1, 2020, is continued until further order.
- 3. No later than October 5, 2020, Evergy shall file a status report and advise the Commission whether the parties' discussions are likely to produce an agreement in this case.
 - 4. This order shall be effective when issued.

STON OF THE OF

BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Jana C. Jacobs, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo (2016).

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 28th day of September, 2020.