# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Joint Motion of Osage Valley	)	
Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Evergy Missouri	)	
West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West for Approval	)	Case No. EO-2021-0339
of a Third Addendum to the Parties' Territorial	)	Tariff No. YE-2021-0256
Agreement Designating the Boundaries of Each	)	
Electric Service Supplier within Portions of	)	
Cass County	)	

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TARIFF SHEETS

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and for its Recommendation that the Commission approve the tariff sheets Evergy Missouri West filed that comply with the Commission's Report and Order in this case (Tracking No. YE-2021-0256). In support Staff states as follows:

- On June 9, 2021, the Commission issued its Report and Order Approving
   Third Addendum to Territorial Agreement.
- 2. On July 9, 2021, Evergy Missouri West and Staff filed a Joint Motion for Extension. The Motion was granted on July 9, 2021 to allow time for Evergy Missouri West to file its substitute compliance tariffs and for Staff to review the tariffs.
  - 3. The tariff sheets have an effective date of July 23, 2021.
- 4. As detailed in the attached memorandum, Staff has reviewed the tariff sheets and has determined that they accurately reflect the impacts of the addendum to the territorial agreement the Commission approved in its Report and Order in this case.

**WHEREFORE**, Staff recommends to the Commission that it approve the revised tariff sheets to go into effect on July 23, 2021, the proposed effective date.

Respectfully submitted,

### /s/ Casi Aslin

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing were mailed, electronically mailed, or hand-delivered to all counsel of record this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021.

/s/ Casi Aslin

#### MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File

Case No. EO-2021-0339, File No. YE-2021-0256

Evergy Missouri West, Inc.

FROM: Alan Bax, Associate Engineer

**Engineering Analysis Department** 

/s/ Claire Eubanks /s/ Casi Aslin

Manager, Engineer Analysis/Date

Staff Counsel's Office/Date

SUBJECT: Staff Recommendation Recommending Approval of Substitute Tariff Sheets

Filed on July 14, 2021 in Accordance with the Commission's Report and

Order Issued June 9, 2021

DATE: July 19, 2021

#### **Recommendation**

On July 14, 2021, Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West ("Evergy Missouri West") filed with the Commission substitute tariff sheets (P.S.C. MO. No. 1, 1st Revised Sheet 10, 1st Revised Sheet 17.1, Original Sheet 17.2 and Original Sheet 17.3), with a proposed effective date of July 23, 2021, regarding changes to its Missouri service area as a result of its Third Addendum to its Territorial Agreement with Osage Valley Electric Cooperative Inc. ("Osage Valley") to update its tariff section entitled "Description of Service Territory Electric". The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") has reviewed these revised, proposed substitute tariff sheets and recommends that the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") approve these revised, proposed substitute tariff sheets.

#### Discussion

Evergy Missouri West initially filed a proposed revised tariff sheet on June 23, 2021. While this proposed tariff sheet was timely filed as ordered by the Commission in its *Report and Order Approving Third Addendum to Territorial Agreement* filed on June 9, 2021 in File No. EO-2021-0339, Staff believed this revised tariff sheet, as proposed, did not comply with the Commission's *Report and Order*. In its Order, the Commission stated: "The Commission will order Evergy Missouri West to file revised tariff sheets to reflect the change in its approved service territory, **setting out the legal description for all parcels associated with the Territorial Agreement** (emphasis added). Moreover, in Ordered Paragraph 3, the Commission directed, "...The revised tariff sheets shall reflect the metes and bounds description for all parcels associated with the Territorial Agreement and the associated Addenda as described in the body of this order."

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In its proposed revised tariff sheet filed June 23, 2021, Evergy Missouri West only indicated the Case Numbers associated with the applicable Territorial Agreement between Evergy Missouri West and Osage Valley and subsequent Three Addendums to this Territorial Agreement. Legal descriptions of the individual parcels included in each of these four cases, which are all located in Township 45 North – Range 32 West in Cass County Missouri, were not reflected in the proposed revised tariff sheet filed by Evergy Missouri West as Ordered by the Commission.

Staff subsequently contacted Evergy Missouri West with its concerns regarding the proposed tariff sheet not complying with the aforementioned Commission Order. In lieu of Staff filing a recommendation to reject the proposed tariff sheet, Evergy Missouri West communicated a desire to be given an opportunity to address Staff's concerns and file substitute tariffs that would maintain the previously established effective date of July 23, 2021. On July 9, 2021, Evergy Missouri West filed a Joint Motion for Extension requesting to be provided additional time in providing substitute tariff sheets and, as a consequence, provide Staff with an extension to its due date for providing its Recommendation in regard to said Evergy Missouri West's anticipated substitute tariff sheets. This Joint Motion was approved by the Commission in its *Order Extending Deadline* filed on July 9, 2021.

On July 14, 2021, Evergy Missouri West filed revised proposed substitute tariff sheets that included legal descriptions for all parcels included in the associated territorial agreement between Evergy Missouri West and Osage Valley and the three corresponding subsequent Addendums, requesting that the effective date for these substitute tariff sheets remained July 23, 2021. Staff has reviewed these revised, proposed substitute tariff sheets and recommends that the Commission approve these substitute tariff sheets filed by Evergy Missouri West on July 14, 2021 in the tariff section entitled "Description of Service Territory Electric". These proposed substitute tariff sheets (P.S.C. MO. No. 1, 1st Revised Sheet 10, 1st Revised Sheet 17.1, Original Sheet 17.2 and Original Sheet 17.3), do reflect the legal description of all parcels that are included in the context of the Territorial Agreement between Evergy Missouri West and Osage Valley and each of the subsequent three Addendums to this Territorial Agreement as previously Ordered. Each of these parcels are located in Cass County, Missouri in Township 45 North – Range 32 West that otherwise lies entirely within the authorized electrical service territory of Every Missouri West.

#### **Tariff:**

Staff recommends the following substitute tariff sheets filed on July 14, 2021, be approved to

become effective July 23, 2021:

#### P.S.C. MO. No. 1

1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 10 canceling Original Sheet No. 10 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 17.1 canceling 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 17.1 Original Sheet No. 17.2 Original Sheet No. 17.3

# OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Joint Motion of Osage Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West for Approval of a Third Addendum to the Parties' Territorial Agreement Designating the Boundaries of Each Electric Service Supplier Within Portions of Cass County	)	CASE NO. EO-2021-0339
AFFIDAVIT OF	ALAN	J. BAX

State of Missouri ) ) ss.
County of Cole )

COMES NOW Alan J. Bax and on his oath declares that he is of sound mind and lawful age; that he contributed to the attached Recommendation to Approve Tariff Sheets; and that the same is true and correct according to his best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.

Alan J. Bax

# <u>JURAT</u>

Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this  $\frac{|Q|+L}{|Q|}$  day of July, 2021.

DIANNA L. VAUGHT
Notary Public - Notary Seal
State of Missouri
Commissioned for Cole County
My Commission Expires: July 18, 2023
Commission Number: 15207377

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