

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

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy)
Missouri West Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri) **File No. EO-2023-0010**
West Containing its Semi-Annual Fuel)
Adjustment Clause True-Up)

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy)
Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri) **File No. ER-2023-0011**
West for Authority to Implement Rate) Tracking No. JE-2023-0005
Adjustments Required by)
20 CRS 4240-20.090(8) and the Company's)
Approved Fuel and Purchased Power Cost)
Recovery Mechanism)

STAFF RESPONSE

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and for its Staff Recommendation states as follows:

1. On August 8, 2022, Evergy Missouri West filed its *Response to Staff Recommendation and Request for Hearing*.
2. On August 11, 2022, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Staff to Provide Expedited Response and Setting Deadline for Other Responses*.
3. The *Order* states that “Staff shall submit a response to Evergy Missouri West’s Response, filed August 8, 2022, no later than 12:00p.m. on August 15, 2022.”
4. In response to Evergy Missouri West’s *Response to Staff Recommendation and Request for Hearing*, Staff reaffirms its position that the proposed tariff should be rejected and a substituted tariff be filed which includes the \$31 million fuel costs. However, if the Commission approves the proposed tariff on an interim basis, then Staff agrees that a hearing be held regarding the \$31 million disputed amount.

WHEREFORE, Staff submits this response for the Commission's information and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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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 15th day of August, 2022.

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