

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

In the Matter of Evergy Missouri West, Inc.)	
d/b/a Evergy Missouri West’s Annual)	<u>File No. ET-2022-0092</u>
RESRAM Tariff Filing)	Tariff No. JE-2022-0064

STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TARIFF SHEET FILED TO ADJUST THE RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARD RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM (RESRAM)

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”), through the undersigned counsel, and submits its Staff Recommendation to the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) recommending that the Commission approve this tariff sheet bearing a December 1, 2021, effective date. In support of its Recommendation, Staff respectfully states as follows:

1. On September 30, 2021, Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West (Evergy West) submitted a proposed rate schedule to adjust charges related to its Renewable Energy Standard Rate Adjustment Mechanism (RESRAM) and filed a revised tariff sheet with an effective date of December 1, 2021. The same day, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Notice and Setting Intervention Applications and Staff’s Recommendation* ordering Staff to either file a report regarding its examination of Evergy West’s proposed rate schedule or a status report indicating when it will be able to file a report no later than October 21, 2021.

2. On October 20, 2021, Staff requested an extension to November 1, 2021, to file its Recommendation. The next day, the Commission granted Staff’s request.

3. Staff reviewed the revised tariff sheet, as submitted on September 30, 2021, and recommends its approval as explained in Staff’s Memorandum attached as *Appendix A* and incorporated herein. Customers using 1,000 kWh per month will see a

bill decrease of \$0.01 per month, decreasing the current RESRAM charge from \$0.90 to \$0.89 per month.

WHEREFORE, Staff prays that the Commission will accept its Recommendation and either issue an order approving the following tariff sheet filed September 30, 2021, bearing an effective date of December 1, 2021, or allow it to go into effect by operation of law that same date:

P.S.C. MO. NO. 1

9th Revised Sheet No. 137.3, cancelling 8th Revised Sheet No. 137.3

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ron Irving

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile, or electronically mailed to all counsel of record on this 29th day of October, 2021.

/s/ Ron Irving

MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File
Case No. ET-2022-0092 and Tariff Tracking No. JE-2022-0064

FROM: Nancy Harris, Utility Regulatory Auditor

/s/ Nancy Harris / October 29, 2021 /s/ Ron Irving / October 29, 2021
Utility Regulatory Auditor / Date Staff Counsel's Office / Date

SUBJECT: Staff Recommendation to Approve Tariff Sheet Filed to Adjust the Renewable Energy Standard Rate Adjustment Mechanism of Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a/ Evergy Missouri West (Evergy West)

DATE: October 29, 2021

BACKGROUND

On September 30, 2021, Evergy Missouri West, Inc. (Evergy West) filed a letter and one (1) revised tariff sheet designed to adjust its Renewable Energy Standard Rate Adjustment Mechanism ("RESRAM") pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.100. The submitted tariff bore an effective date of December 1, 2021, and was filed under Tariff Tracking No. JE-2022-0064.

The total RESRAM expense balance as of August 31, 2021, was \$22,854,267. The annual Allowable RESRAM Revenue Requirement is \$7,207,581, which is 1% of retail billed revenues from ER-2018-0146 in the amount of \$720,758,136.

Using Evergy Missouri West's projected energy level of 8,091,385,105 kWh and the revenue requirement mentioned above, the RESRAM rate is \$0.00089. Customers using 1,000 kWh per month will see a \$0.01 decrease per month and will pay \$0.89 per month. Application of this rate will not exceed the 3.0% annual rate cap pursuant to Section 393.1655 RSMo.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff has reviewed the revised tariff sheet as submitted on September 30, 2021, and recommends the Commission issue an order either approving the tariff sheet or allowing the tariff sheet to take effect by operation of law on December 1, 2021.

P.S.C. MO. No. 1

9th Revised Sheet No. 137.3, canceling 8th Revised Sheet No. 137.3

Staff has verified that Evergy Missouri West has filed its annual report and is not delinquent on any assessment. Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects or is affected by this filing.

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AFFIDAVIT OF NANCY L. HARRIS

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss
COUNTY OF COLE)

COMES NOW Nancy L. Harris, and on her oath states that she is of sound mind and lawful age; that she contributed to the foregoing *Staff Recommendation in Memorandum form*; and that the same is true and correct according to her best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.

Nancy L. Harris
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JURAT

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 29th day of October, 2021.

Dianna L. Vaughn
Notary Public

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