# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Timothy Allegri,	)	
Complainant,	)	
V.	)	File No. EC-2024-0015
Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro	)	
And Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy	)	
Missouri West,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

### **MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE**

**COMES 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"), by and through its counsel and, for its *Motion to Consolidate Cases* ("Motion"), states as follows:

### **PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

- 1. On August 1, 2023, Timothy Allegri ("Mr. Allegri") corrected a deficiency and filed a complaint ("Allegri Complaint") with the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission").
- 2. On August 15, 2023, Mr. Allegri filed and amendment ("Amendment") to his complaint requesting that the Commission add twenty-six self-represented co-complainants to the Allegri Complaint.
- 3. Pursuant to the Commission's August 2, 2023 Order Giving Notice of Complaint, Directing and Answer and A Staff Investigation ("Order"), the Company submitted its Answer, Affirmative Defenses, and Motion to Dismiss of Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West ("Allegri Answer") on August 30, 2023.

- 4. On September 6, 2023, the Commission issued its *Order Denying Motion to Add Additional Complainants and Denying Mediation Request*.
- 5. On September 11, 2023, the following complainants filed complaints against Evergy Missouri West with the Commission:

EC-2024-0062 Betty Beyers

EC-2024-0063 David A. Handley

EC-2024-0064 Denise Allegri

EC-2024-0065 Charles E. Bracken

EC-2024-0066 Jesse L. Green, Jr.

EC-2024-0067 Kendra B. Butner

EC-2024-0068 Letha Sue Boland

EC-2024-0069 Susan G. Bracken

EC-2024-0070 Victor Butner

EC-2024-0071 Marjorie J. Dyer

6. On September 12, 2023, the following complainants filed complaints against Evergy Missouri West with the Commission:

EC-2024-0072 Barbara A. Rasa

EC-2024-0073 Bethann C. Hill

EC-2024-0074 Candace K. Robertson

EC-2024-0075 Donald W. Rasa

EC-2024-0076 Dwayne Marsh

EC-2024-0077 Norman Howard

EC-2024-0078 Rebekah L. Marsh

EC-2024-0079 Scott Rasa

EC-2024-0080 Stephen L. Robertson

EC-2024-0081 Teresa Howard

EC-2024-0082 Bart D. Wyatt

EC-2024-0083 Carl J. Wouden

EC-2024-0084 Cheryl K. Wouden

EC-2024-0085 Dorothy J. Bell

EC-2024-0086 Steven J. Bell

EC-2024-0087 Amy Wolfe

EC-2024-0088 Glen Wolfe

EC-2024-0089 Mark A. Hill

EC-2024-0090 Steven A. Dyer

EC-2024-0091 Walter L. Dyer

7. On September 18, 2023, the following complainants filed complaints against Evergy Missouri West with the Commission:

EC-2024-0093 Aaron Collett

EC-2024-0094 Collette Collett

EC-2024-0095 Chad Krummel

EC-2024-0096 Jessica Krummel

EC-2024-0097 Cheryl Hedden

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8. In each instance, all complainants identified in Paragraphs 1 through 7 above (collectively, the "Complainants") filed nearly identical complaints (collectively, the "Complaints").1

9. In many instances, separate (but nearly identical) complaints appear to have been filed by spouses and/or relatives with the same last name and address.

10. Accordingly, there are common questions of law and fact in the above-referenced cases and the consolidation of the Complaint Cases would be administratively expedient in that it would simplify the filings to be made by all parties to these matters.

11. The Commission issued *Order[s] Giving Notice of Complaint, Directing Answer and Directing Staff Investigation* on September 13, 2023 for Dockets 0062 thru 0091 ("1st Order") with identical deadlines for Evergy's answers<sup>2</sup> and Commission Staff's ("Staff") report<sup>3</sup> in the relevant dockets as detailed above.

12. Additionally, the Commission issued *Order[s] Giving Notice of Complaint*, *Directing Answer and Directing Staff Investigation* on September 19, 2023 for Dockets 0093 thru 0097 ("2<sup>nd</sup> Order") with identical deadlines for Evergy's answers<sup>4</sup> and Commission Staff's ("Staff") report<sup>5</sup> in the relevant dockets as detailed above.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> With the exception of the unique addresses listed in Paragraph 1 of each complaint, both the attachment included with each of the Complaints and the separate Attachment A are identical.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> October 13, 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> October 30, 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> October 19, 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> November 6, 2023.

13. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.110(3) allows the Commission to consolidate pending actions involving related questions of law or fact.

**WHEREFORE**, the Company requests that the Commission issue an order consolidating the Complaint Cases with Case No. EC-2024-0015 being the lead case.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

A copy of the foregoing has been served this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September 2023 upon counsel for all parties of record in this proceeding via electronic service or U.S. mail postage prepaid.

|s|Roger W. Steiner

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