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 RESRAM Filing File No. ET-2024-0117 Tariff Nos. JE-2024-0042

STAFF'S TARIFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), through the undersigned counsel, states the following regarding the proposed compliance tariff sheets filed by Evergy Missouri West, Inc., d/b/a/ Evergy Missouri West ("Evergy West" or "Company").

1. On September 29, 2023 the Company submitted tariff sheets in tariff tracking numbers *JE-2024-0042*, bearing effective dates of December 1, 2023.

2. Subsequently on September 29, 2023, the Commission directed Staff to file a recommendation regarding the examination and analysis of the Company's filings by November 28, 2023. Further, the Commission suspended JE-2024-0042's effective date from December 1, 2023 to January 27, 2024.

3. On November 1, 2023, the Company requested that Staff expedite its recommendation for ET-2024-0117's RESRAM tariff filing. Staff did not object to the Company's request, and on November 2, 2023, the Company filed its *Motion for Clarification and Expedited Treatment* (Motion). In its *Motion*, the Company requested that Staff file its recommendation so that the Commission could add ET-2024-0117 to its agenda session on November 16, 2023. The Company requested in its *Motion* that its tariffs take effect on November 30, 2023.`mitted on September 29, 2023. Staff recommends that the Commission grant Evergy West's

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request as stated in its *Motion*, thereby ordering that the tariff take effect on November 30, 2023.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order approving the following proposed tariff sheets submitted on September 29, 2023, to become effective on November 30, 2023, as requested by the Company in its *Motion*.

<u>P.S.C. MO. NO. 1</u> 11th Revised Sheet No. 137.3, canceling 10th Revised Sheet No. 137.3

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Eric Vandergriff

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 9th day of November, 2023.

<u>/s/ Eric Vandergriff</u>

<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

- **TO:** Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File Case No. ET-2024-0117 and Tariff Tracking No. JE-2024-0042
- **FROM:** Nancy Harris, Senior Utility Auditor Tariff/Rate Design Department

<u>/s/ Nancy Harris / 11-09-23</u> Industry Analysis / 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:** November 9, 2023

BACKGROUND

On September 29, 2023, Evergy Missouri West, Inc., d/b/a/ Evergy Missouri West (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, 2023 and was filed under Tariff Tracking No. JE-2024-0042. Staff recommends that the Commission grant Evergy West's request for expedited treatment as stated in its Motion filed November 2, 2023, allowing that the tariff take effect on November 30, 2023.

The total RESRAM expense balance as of August 31, 2023 was \$11,854,577. The annual Allowable RESRAM Revenue Requirement is \$7,500,363 which is 1% of retail billed revenues from ER-2022-0130 in the amount of \$750,036,250.

Using Evergy West's projected energy level of 8,161,410,268 kWh and the revenue requirement mentioned above, the RESRAM rate is \$0.00092. Customers using 1,000 kWh per month will see a \$0.04 increase per month and will pay \$0.92 per month.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff has reviewed the revised tariff sheet as submitted on September 29, 2023 and recommends the Commission issue an order either approving the tariff sheet or allowing the tariff sheet to take effect on November 30, 2023.

P.S.C. MO. No. 1 11th Revised Sheet No. 137.3, canceling 10th Revised Sheet No. 137.3 MO PSC File No. ET-2024-0117 Official Case File Memorandum November 9, 2023 Page 2 of 2

Staff has verified that Evergy 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.

Mancy L. Harris

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 7th day of November 2023.

Dianna L. Vaunt-Notary Publid)

DIANNA L. VAUGHT Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for Cole County My Commission Expires: July 18, 2027 Commission Number: 15207377