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 West for Permission and Approval of a Certificate of Public Convenience

Case No. EA-2023-0291

RESPONSE TO COMMISSION ORDER

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC"), Evergy Missouri West,

Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West ("EMW"), and the Staff of the Public Service Commission ("Staff"), and for this *Response to Commission Order*, state as follows:

1. EMW filed its application in the above styled case on November 8, 2023.

2. EMW's application included a proposed procedural schedule.

3. The Commission issued an Order and Notice in the above styled case on

November 9, 2023, that required, among other things, that the OPC and Staff respond to EMW's proposed procedural schedule no later than November 29, 2023.

4. OPC, Staff, and EMW have conferred regarding the proposed procedural schedule and have reached a mutual agreement regarding the same.

5. The OPC, Staff and EMW jointly request the Commission order the following procedural schedule for this case:

February 15, 2024	Rebuttal Testimony
March 19, 2024	Surrebuttal Testimony
April 9 – 12, 2024	Evidentiary Hearing

May 3, 2024	Initial Briefs
May 17, 2024	Reply Briefs
June 14, 2024	Report and Order

6. The OPC, Staff and EMW further jointly request that the Commission order that response times for data requests be shortened to fifteen calendar days to respond, seven to object, starting January 1, 2024, and then be shortened again to ten calendar days to respond, five days to object, following the filing of rebuttal testimony.

WHEREFORE, the Office of the Public Counsel, Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West, and the Staff of the Public Service Commission respectfully requests the Commission order a procedural schedule in the above styled case as outlined herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the forgoing have been mailed, emailed, or hand-delivered to all counsel of record this twenty-ninth day of November, 2023.

/s/ John Clizer