

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office in
Jefferson City on the 10th day
of January, 2024.

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy)
Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri)
West for a Financing Order Authorizing the)
Financing of Extraordinary Storm Costs)
Through an Issuance of Securitized Utility)
Tariff Bonds)

File No. EF-2022-0155
Tracking No. JE-2024-0070

**NOTICE THAT TARIFF WILL TAKE EFFECT BY OPERATION OF LAW
AND ORDER REGARDING COMPLIANCE TARIFF FILING**

Issue Date: January 10, 2024

Effective Date: January 20, 2024

On November 17, 2022, the Commission issued its Amended Report and Order (Financing Order) approving Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West to issue securitized utility tariff bonds for extraordinary costs incurred by Evergy West on behalf of its customers during the mid-February 2021 cold weather event known as Winter Storm Uri. Ordered paragraph eight of the Financing Order directed Evergy West to file compliance tariff sheets that conform to the form of the Securitized Utility Tariff Rider tariff provisions attached to the Financing Order, but with rate elements left blank.

On November 16, 2023, Evergy Missouri West filed tariff sheets, Tracking No. JE-2024-0070 to comply with the Commission's Financing Order. Those tariff sheets bore an effective date of December 16, 2023. The Commission directed its Staff to file a recommendation concerning the tariff sheets. On November 28, 2023, Evergy Missouri West extended the effective date of its compliance tariff sheets to January 15, 2024. On

November 29, 2023, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a request to extend the due date for its recommendation to December 29, 2023. The Commission granted Staff's extension request.

Staff reviewed Evergy Missouri West's compliance tariff sheets and determined that they are in substantial compliance with the Commission's Financing Order to the extent possible prior to bond issuance. Staff proposed several options for the Commission's consideration. 1) Staff proposed that the Commission find the tariff sheets in substantial compliance with the Financing Order, but reject the sheets and order Evergy to refile them with the rate elements five business days prior to the desired effective date. 2) Staff proposed the Commission find the tariff sheets in substantial compliance with the Financing Order, approve the tariff, and direct Evergy Missouri West to file a compliance tariff sheet, bearing an effective date no earlier than five business days after its submission, containing the rate elements of the securitized utility tariff charge. 3) Staff proposed as an alternative that the Commission suspend the tariff sheets until March 1, 2024, and direct Evergy Missouri West to submit substitute tariff sheets five days prior to the desired effective date. However, Staff notes that this would be inconsistent with ordered paragraph eight of the Financing Order which states that the compliance tariff sheets become effective on the date the securitized utility tariff bonds are issued, without Commission order.

On January 5, 2024, Evergy Missouri West filed a response concurring with Staff's recommendation to approve the tariff sheets. However, Evergy Missouri West stated that Staff's recommendation to order it to take steps already contained in the Financing Oder

was unnecessary. Evergy Missouri West also objected to Staff's alternative option as being inconsistent with the Financing Order.

Applicable Law

Ordered paragraph eight of the Commission's Financing Order states:

8. Approval of Tariff. The form of Securitized Utility Tariff Rider attached as Appendix B to this order is approved. Before the issuance of any securitized utility tariff bonds under this Financing Order, Evergy West must file compliance tariff sheets that conform to the form of the Securitized Utility Tariff Rider tariff provisions attached to this Financing Order, but with rate elements left blank. With its submission of the issuance advice letter, Evergy West shall also submit a compliance tariff sheet, bearing an effective date no earlier than five business days after its submission, containing the rate elements of the securitized utility tariff charge. That compliance tariff sheet shall become effective on the date the securitized utility tariff bonds are issued with no further action of the Commission unless the Commission issues a disapproval letter as described in Ordering Paragraph 7.

Decision

The Commission has reviewed Evergy Missouri West's tariff filing and finds that it is in substantial compliance with the Commission's Financing Order. So that the tariff sheets may become effective on their effective date, the Commission is providing notice that it will allow Evergy Missouri West's compliance tariff filing, Tracking No. JE-2024-0070, to take effect by operation of law on January 15, 2024.

In accordance with the Financing Order, the Commission will direct Evergy Missouri West to submit a compliance tariff sheet, bearing an effective date no earlier than five business days after its submission, containing the rate elements of the securitized utility tariff charge. This new tariff submission should include the rate elements of the securitized utility tariff charge, the indicated changes to Sheets 168.1, 168.2, and 168.5, with issuance dates of the date of such filing, and an effective date five business days later.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Evergy Missouri West must file a compliance tariff sheet, bearing an effective date no earlier than five business days after its submission, containing the rate elements of the securitized utility tariff charge. This tariff submission must include the rate elements of the securitized utility tariff charge, the indicated changes to Sheets 168.1, 168.2, and 168.5, with issuance dates of the date of such filing, and an effective date five business days later.
2. This order is effective January 20, 2024.



BY THE COMMISSION

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Nancy Dippell
Secretary

Rupp, Chm., Coleman, Holsman, Kolkmeyer
and Hahn CC., concur.

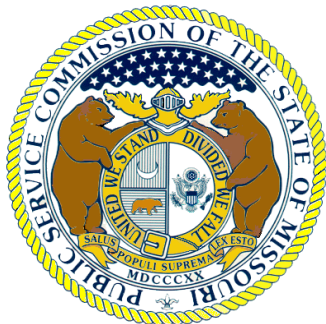
Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 10th day of January 2024.



Nancy Dippell

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Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

January 10, 2024

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy Dippell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Nancy Dippell
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