BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

| In the Matter of Requests for Customer |) | <u>File No. EO-2024-0002</u> |
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| Account Data Production |) | |

EVERGY'S RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COUNSEL'S MOTION

COME NOW Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro ("EMM") and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West ("EMW") (collectively, the "Company"), by and through their counsel and, for their *Response* ("Response") to the *Motion for the Commission to Order Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West to Comply with Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.135* ("Motion") filed by the Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC") with the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") on January 18, 2024, states as follows:

1. The Company does provide the confidentiality rationale on data request responses but, due to an oversight, has never done so for testimony. The Company will provide the confidentiality rationale for testimony in the future.

2. The Company believes that the confidential information referenced in the direct testimony of Evergy witnesses Lutz and Dragoo can be made public.

3. For the convenience of the Commission and parties, de-classified versions of Lutz and Dragoo direct are being included with this Response

WHEREFORE, the Company submits this Response to OPC's Motion.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>|s| Roger W. Steiner</u>

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was served upon counsel for all parties on this 26th day of January 2024 by either e-mail or U.S. Mail, postage prepaid.

<u>|s| Roger W. Steiner</u>

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