

**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 Request for	)	File No. ER-2024-0189
Authority to Implement A General Rate	)	
Increase for Electric Service	)	

**APPLICATION TO INTERVENE OF SIERRA CLUB**

COMES NOW Sierra Club, pursuant to the Commission's February 5, 2024 Order Giving Notice, Setting a Deadline to Intervene, Setting a Deadline to Respond to the Test Year, and Directing a Proposed Procedural Schedule, and 20 CSR 4240-2.075, and submits this Application to Intervene in the above-captioned case. For its Application, Sierra Club states as follows:

1. Sierra Club is a nonprofit organization organized and existing under the nonprofit corporation laws of the state of California. Sierra Club has roughly 700,000 members nationwide and more than 10,000 members in Missouri, many of whom reside in Evergy's service territory and are Evergy ratepayers.

2. Sierra Club exists for the purpose of preserving and protecting environmental values. Sierra Club is concerned with emissions of greenhouse gases that cause climate change, and with pollution from non-renewable sources that cause a host of health issues including asthma, mercury poisoning, sudden infant death syndrome, and respiratory problems, among others. Consistent with this mission, Sierra Club has long advocated for transitioning the electricity sector from coal-fired generation to cleaner and lower cost forms of energy, such as energy efficiency and renewable energy sources. Sierra Club's interest in protecting and enhancing the quality of ambient air and water throughout the state will be favorably affected if

Evergy aggressively pursues renewable energy, energy efficiency, and demand response programs that displace fossil fuel generation.

3. Sierra Club has been a party to many previous Evergy and KCPL triennial IRP, IRP update, MEEIA, and rate proceedings.

4. Sierra Club's interests focus on environmental protection and hence are different from those of the general public, and could be adversely affected by an order approving rate designs or a revenue requirement that disincentivize energy efficiency or conservation, or continued utilization of excess coal-based generating capacity where more prudent and cost-effective alternatives exist, or an order discouraging renewable energy resources or appropriate time-varying rates.

5. Sierra Club has not yet determined the positions it will take in this case.

6. It will serve the public interest for the Commission to grant this motion to intervene.

7. Correspondence, communications, orders and decisions may be sent to:

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WHEREFORE, Sierra Club respectfully requests the Public Service Commission grant this Application to Intervene.

Respectfully Submitted,

*/s/ Sarah Rubenstein*

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024, a true and correct copy of the foregoing pleading was filed on EFIS and sent by email to all parties of record.

*/s/ Sarah Rubenstein*

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