

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 30th day of December, 2019.

In the Matter of Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a)
Evergy Missouri Metro's Demand Side)
Investment Mechanism Rider Rate)
Adjustment and True-Up Required by 20)
CSR 4240-20.093(4))
)
In the Matter of Evergy Missouri West, Inc.)
d/b/a Evergy Missouri West's Demand)
Side Investment Mechanism Rider Rate)
Adjustment and True-Up Required by 20)
CSR 4240-20.093(4))

File No. ER-2020-0154
Tariff No. JE-2020-0093

File No. ER-2020-0155
Tariff No. JE-2020-0094

**ORDER GRANTING VARIANCE OF COMMISSION RULE
20 CSR 4240-20.093 AND GRANTING EVERGY'S MOTION TO SUPPLEMENT
TESTIMONY**

Issue Date: December 30, 2019

Effective Date: December 30, 2019

On December 2, 2019, Evergy Missouri Metro, Inc. and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. (collectively "Evergy") filed tariffs and supporting testimony to implement adjustments of its Demand Side Investment Mechanism (DSIM) rider rates. Under Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.093(4) the Staff of the Commission (Staff) has 30 days to file a recommendation regarding the tariffs, and the Commission must approve or reject the tariffs within 60 days.

On December 23, 2019, Evergy filed a motion requesting to supplement its testimony to include a projection of its Missouri Energy Efficiency Investment Act (MEEIA) Cycle 3 costs in its DSIM rider tariff sheets. The tariff sheets currently bear an effective date of February 1, 2020. Evergy proposes extending the time for Staff to file a

recommendation until February 1, 2020, and extending the effective date of the tariffs until March 1, 2020.

Under Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.093(14) the Commission may grant a variance of any provision of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.093, if requested, for good cause shown.

The Commission issued an order directing Evergy and Staff to file responses addressing whether it would be better to reject the tariff sheets or have Evergy withdraw them, and file new tariff sheets rather than grant a variance. Staff filed a response stating that while Evergy could withdraw its tariffs and refile, it would be better to grant a variance giving staff additional time to review. Staff does not object to granting the variance. Evergy filed a response stating that it is more efficient for it to use the existing DSIM rider filing and supplement the testimony. Evergy also formally requests the variance.

The Commission finds that good cause exists to grant a variance of the time requirements of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.093, because Staff has already been reviewing the DSIM adjustment tariffs filed by Evergy, and it is more efficient for Evergy to supplement its existing DSIM rider filing. Based on Staff and Evergy's responses and the Commission's finding of good cause, the Commission will grant a variance of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.093, and order Evergy to file substitute tariff sheets and extend the effective date of those tariffs to March 1, 2020. The Commission will also grant Evergy's motion to supplement its testimony.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Evergy Missouri Metro, Inc. and Evergy Missouri West, Inc.'s motion to supplement its testimony in these files is granted.

2. Evergy Missouri Metro, Inc. and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. are granted a waiver of the time requirements of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.093.

3. Evergy Missouri Metro, Inc. and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. shall file substitute DSIM tariff sheets no later than January 10, 2020, and shall extend the effective date of those tariffs to March 1, 2020.

4. Staff shall file a recommendation regarding the substitute DSIM tariff sheets no later than February 1, 2020.

5. This order is effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION



Morris L. Woodruff

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Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Kenney, Rupp, Coleman, CC., concur.

Clark, 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 30th day of December 2019.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
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