## 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 and Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy	)	Case No. EA-2025-0075
Missouri Metro for Permission and	)	
Approval of a Certificate of Public	)	
Convenience and Necessity for Natural	)	
Gas Electrical Production Facilities	)	

## PUBLIC COUNSEL'S REQUEST FOR LOCAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

**COMES NOW** the Office of Public Counsel (Public Counsel) and moves the Commission to hold at least two local public hearings in this case before it issues any certificates of convenience and necessity—one local public hearing at a location physically near the site of the proposed 440 MW SCGT Mullin Creek #1 Generating Station to be located in Nodaway County, Missouri, and one virtually. Because the other proposed generating stations—710 MW CCGT generating stations to be located in Sumner County, Kansas (Viola), and Reno County, Kansas (McNew) are to be sited in Kansas, Public Counsel does not request that the Commission hold a local public hearing near the proposed site of either station.

Respectfully,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024.

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