

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy Missouri) **File No. EO-2025-0193**
West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West Containing)
Its Semi-Annual Fuel Adjustment Clause True-Up)

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy Missouri)
West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West for Authority) **File No. ER-2025-0194**
To Implement Rate Adjustments Required by) **Tariff No. JE-2025-0099**
20 CSR 4240-20.090(8) and the Company’s)
Approved Fuel and Purchased Power Recovery)
Mechanism)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and for its Staff Recommendation states as follows:

1. On December 31, 2024, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Notice and Setting Deadlines for Intervention Applications and Staff’s Recommendation* (“Order”) in both Case Nos. EO-2025-0193 and ER-2025-0194. The *Order* stated that no later than January 28, 2025, Staff shall file recommendations regarding its examination and analysis of Evergy Missouri West’s application and proposed tariff sheet.

2. On December 31, 2024, In Case No. ER-2025-0194, Evergy Missouri West filed a proposed revised tariff sheet, 4th Revised Sheet No. 127.34, Canceling 3rd Revised Sheet No. 127.34, with revised fuel adjustment rates (lines 16, 19, 22, and 25 on 4th Revised Sheet No. 127.34) of its Fuel Adjustment Clause (“FAC”), and bearing an effective date of March 1, 2025.

3. Also, on December 31, 2024, in Case No. EO-2025-0193, Evergy Missouri West filed its fuel adjustment clause (“FAC”) true-up filing. According to Evergy Missouri West’s true-up filing for Recovery Period 32 (“RP32”) for billing months

(September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024), Evergy Missouri West under-collected from its customers \$572,520 following its Accumulation Period (“AP32”) (December 1, 2022, through May 31, 2023). Additionally, included in this true-up filing is a Fuel and Purchased Power Adjustment (“FPA”) balance remaining from AP35 in the amount of \$(23,316,556).

4. The FPA amount in File No. ER-2025-0194 is \$(23,316,556). This represents the total requested decrease in the amount sought to be refunded in customer FAC charges over the applicable recovery period. The FPA amount includes the difference between the Actual Net Energy Costs (“ANEC”) and the Net Base Energy Cost (“B”) the Company experienced during the 35th Accumulation Period, including application of the Commission approved 95 percent sharing mechanism, plus the amount from the true-up for the 32nd Recovery Period in File No. EO-2025-0193, and applicable interest. The proposed changes to FARs will result in decrease to the typical Evergy Missouri West residential customer’s monthly bill (based on 1,000 kWh), before taxes, of \$9.12, *i.e.*, from \$5.67 to (\$3.45).

5. Based on its examination and analysis of the information Evergy Missouri West filed and submitted in these cases, Staff recommends the Commission issue an order approving Evergy Missouri West’s true-up filing for RP32 and the proposed 4th Revised Sheet No. 127.34, canceling 3rd Revised Sheet No. 127.34, to become effective on March 1, 2025, subject to both true-up and prudence reviews.

6. Further explanation of this recommendation is provided in the memos attached to this pleading.

WHEREFORE, Staff submits this recommendation for the Commission's information and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing were mailed, electronically mailed, or hand-delivered to all counsel of record on this 28th day of January, 2025.

/s/ Tracy D. Johnson