# OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West Containing its Semi-Annual Fuel Adjustment Clause True-Up	) ) )	File No. EO-2025-0193
In the Matter of the Application of Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West for Authority To Implement Rate Adjustments Required by 20 CSR 4240-20.090(8) and the Company's Approved Fuel and Purchased Power Recovery Mechanism	) ) ) )	File No. ER-2025-0194 Tariff No. JE-2025-0099

## ORDER APPROVING FUEL ADJUSTMENT TRUE-UP AND APPROVING TARIFF TO CHANGE FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE RATES

Issue Date: February 10, 2025 Effective Date: March 1, 2025

On December 31, 2024, Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West submitted its proposed tariff to implement its Fuel Adjustment Rate for the accumulation period ending September 2024 as required by Section 386.266, RSMo, and Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090(8). Evergy Missouri West also submitted an application containing its 32<sup>nd</sup> true-up filing for its Fuel Adjustment Clause (FAC), as required by Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090(9). Evergy Missouri West requests that the Commission authorize a true-up adjustment and implement it under its FAC tariff bearing an effective date of March 1, 2025.

## **FAC true-up**

The true-up amount identified in EO-2025-0193 is the result of an under-collection of \$572,520 from customers during Recovery Period 32 (RP32) from September 1, 2023

through August 31, 2024. That true-up amount is included in the Fuel and Purchased Power (FPA) amount in Evergy Missouri West's Accumulation Period 35 (AP35) adjustment filing in File No. ER-2025-0194, which Evergy Missouri West filed in compliance with its FAC.

Staff filed its recommendation regarding Evergy Missouri West's True-up on January 28, 2025, in which it examined the direct testimony of Linda J. Nunn, her supporting work papers, and the monthly information Evergy Missouri West provided with its application. Staff recommends the Commission approve Evergy Missouri West's RP32 true-up filing for inclusion in the changes in Evergy Missouri West's AP35 adjustment filing in File No. ER-2025-0194. Commission rules allow parties ten days to respond to pleadings, unless otherwise ordered. Ten days have elapsed and no party has objected to Staff's recommendations.

Based on the Commission's review of the verified filings, the Commission finds that the unopposed true-up amount is correct. The Commission will authorize Evergy Missouri West to include the calculated amount in its next FAC accumulation period as previously described.

#### **FAC tariff**

With regard to Evergy Missouri West's request to approve its FAC tariff, the dollar amount used to calculate the proposed rate schedules for AP35 is \$(23,316,556), which includes \$(24,547,006)^1, the true-up amount for RP32 of \$572,520, and interest for AP35 of \$657,930. Based on an average usage of 1,000 kWh per month, Evergy Missouri West's

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This quantity represents 95% of the difference between: a) Evergy Missouri West's Missouri jurisdiction actual fuel costs plus purchased power costs plus net emissions allowance costs less off-system sales revenue and less renewable energy credits ("REC") revenue, and b) Evergy Missouri West's Missouri jurisdiction net base energy cost during AP31.

requested adjustment would result in a decrease in the bill of a typical residential customer of approximately \$9.12 per month.

The Commission's Staff filed a recommendation regarding Evergy Missouri West's tariff on January 28, 2025. Staff verified that Evergy Missouri West's actual fuel and purchased power costs match the fuel and purchased power costs included in the company's calculated rates set out in the submitted tariff. Staff also reviewed Evergy Missouri West's monthly interest rates that are applied to the monthly cumulative overand under-recovery amounts for AP35, and RP32, and the calculation of the monthly amounts. Staff recommends the Commission approve the FAR tariff to become effective on the March 1, 2025.

Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090(8) requires the Commission to issue an order approving or rejecting the company's tariff within 60 days of its filing. If the FAC rate adjustment complies with the Commission's rule, Section 386.266, RSMo, and the FAC mechanism established in the most recent general rate proceeding, the Commission is required to approve the rate adjustment or allow the proposed tariff implementing the adjustment go into effect by operation of law.<sup>2</sup>

The Commission has reviewed Evergy Missouri West's verified application, Evergy Missouri West's tariff filing, and Staff's verified recommendation and memorandum, and finds that the tariff sheet implementing the FAC rate adjustment is in compliance with the Commission's order establishing the FAC and with all applicable statutes and regulations. Therefore, the Commission will approve Evergy Missouri West's proposed tariff.

Without Commission action, the tariff will become effective by operation of law on

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090(8)

March 1, 2025. Additionally, as noted above, the Commission's rule requires an order be issued within 60 days of the tariff filing. Therefore, the Commission finds it reasonable to make this order effective in less than 30 days.

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The true-up amount for Recovery Period 32 is established for Evergy Missouri West as an under-collection of \$572,520 from its customers and shall be reflected in the rate adjustment in Commission File No. ER-2025-0194.
- 2. Evergy Missouri West's tariff filing in File No. ER-2025-0194, assigned Tracking No. JE-2025-0099, is approved to be effective March 1, 2025, as an interim rate adjustment, subject to true-up and prudence reviews. The tariff approved is:

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- 3. This order shall become effective on March 1, 2025.
- 4. These files shall close on March 2, 2025.

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BY THE COMMISSION

Nancy Dippell Secretary

Riley G. Fewell, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025.

### 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.

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Nancy Dippell Secretary

# MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION February 10, 2025

#### File/Case No. EO-2025-0193 and ER-2025-0194

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

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