

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 5th day of January, 2022.

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy)
Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro for) **File No. EO-2022-0105**
Authority to Sell Assets Located in Carroll)
County, Missouri)

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION TO SELL ASSETS

Issue Date: January 5, 2022

Effective Date: February 4, 2022

On October 8, 2021, Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro filed an application to sell transformers and associated equipment located in Carroll County, Missouri to Show Me Ethanol, LLC, at an agreed-upon price and under terms and conditions set forth in a Bill of Sale attached to the application. Evergy Missouri Metro asked the Commission to approve the sale and to waive the 60-day notice requirement of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017.

On October 18, 2021, the Commission issued an order and notice giving interested parties until November 8, 2021, to intervene. No parties requested intervention.

On December 16, 2021, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed its Recommendation. Staff recommends that the Commission approve the sale. No responses to Staff's recommendation or other comments were filed.

Staff states that Show Me Ethanol is a corn dry-mill distillery located in Carrollton, Missouri, that mainly produces alcohol. Upon purchase of said transformers and associated equipment, Show Me Ethanol would qualify to receive service under Evergy

Missouri Metro's primary voltage customer rate,¹ which would provide greater financial ability to grow its operation. Upon completion of the transaction, Show Me Ethanol would assume all financial responsibility for the maintenance of the purchased assets. After the purchase, Show Me Ethanol expects to increase its energy consumption by 2.5 to 3 MWs.

Evergy Missouri Metro states, and Staff agrees, that the proposed transaction will have no impact on the tax revenues of the political subdivision (Carroll County) in which the assets are located. Evergy Missouri Metro will be compensated for the equipment at its fair market value. Upon completion of the transaction, Show Me Ethanol intends to install a carbon dioxide capture facility at its plant. This addition will increase energy sales for Evergy Missouri Metro as well as reduce its operation and maintenance expense since Show Me Ethanol will own and operate the transformers and associated equipment. Therefore, Staff agrees with Evergy Missouri Metro's assessment that the transaction will not be detrimental to the public interest.

Section 393.190, RSMo 2016, requires an electrical corporation to obtain Commission approval before selling its assets. The Commission may not withhold approval of the sale unless the sale would be detrimental to the public interest.²

The Commission has reviewed Evergy Missouri Metro's application and Staff's recommendation. Based upon those pleadings, the Commission finds that the proposed transaction is not detrimental to the interests of Evergy Missouri Metro, Show Me Ethanol, or Evergy Missouri Metro's other ratepayers. Thus, the Commission finds that the proposed transaction is not detrimental to the public interest and will be approved.

¹ Kansas City Power and Light Company, PSC MO No. 7 10th Revised Sheet 11B-11C. (Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro, Adoption Notice, effective October 7, 2019.)

² See *State ex rel. Fee Fee Trunk Sewer, Inc. v. Litz*, 596 S.W.2d 466, 468 (Mo. App. E.D. 1980).

Every Missouri Metro also requested a waiver of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1) requiring notice with the Commission of intent to file an application 60 days before filing the application. Every Missouri Metro requests such a waiver under Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1)(D). Every Missouri Metro represents that it had no communication with the Office of the Commission, as defined by the rule, within the 150 days prior to filing its initial application. The Commission finds that Every Missouri Metro has demonstrated good cause for the waiver of the 60-day notice requirement.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Every Missouri Metro is granted a waiver of the 60-day notice requirement of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1).
2. The Commission grants the application of Every Missouri Metro for authority to sell to Show Me Ethanol, the assets described in the Bill of Sale and Asset List affixed to the application filed by Every Missouri Metro on October 8, 2021.
3. This order shall be effective on February 4, 2022.
4. This file shall be closed on February 5, 2022.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Rupp, Coleman, Holsman, and
Kolkmeier CC., concur.

Seyer, 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 5th day of January, 2022.





Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

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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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