BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy Metro,) Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy) Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West) for Approval of New and Modified Tariffs for) Service to Large Load Customers)

File No. EO-2025-0154

REPLY TO STAFF'S RESPONSE TO COMMISSION ORDER

Pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.080(13), Google LLC ("Google") hereby files this Reply to Staff's April 4, 2025 Response to Commission Order in the above-listed matter and states the following:

1. On February 14, 2025, Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro ("EMM") and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West ("EMW," and collectively, "Evergy") filed its "Application for Approval of Evergy's Large Load Power Service ("LLPS") Rate Plan and Associated Tariffs" with the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") requesting adoption of rates and tariffs applicable to large load customers (defined as customer with loads larger than 100 MW) throughout the Evergy territories in Missouri ("LLPS Rate Plan").

2. On March 20, 2025, the Commission issued an Order granting Google's Application to Intervene in this case.

3. Evergy's Application included a proposed procedural schedule. That schedule has been effectively denied by inaction, since the proposed dates are already upon us and there is inadequate time to implement Evergy's proposal.

4. To-date, the only other party to recommend a complete procedural schedule was the Data Center Coalition ("DCC"), which filed a Response to Evergy's proposed procedural

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schedule on March 12, 2025. For the Commission's ease of reference, DCC's proposed procedural schedule is offered below in paragraph 6 alongside Google's proposed procedural schedule.

5. On April 4, 2025, Staff filed a Response to Commission Order, proposing that the Commission issue an order directing Staff to file a recommendation/rebuttal in the above-captioned matter on May 27, 2025. Staff did not propose any additional dates for the procedural schedule.

6. In the interest of reconciling the various procedural recommendations and to facilitate certainty for the parties, Google hereby proposes the following procedural schedule. For the Commission's ease of reference, the table below includes DCC's proposed procedural schedule.

Filing	DCC Proposal	Google Proposal
Application & Testimony	February 14, 2025	February 14, 2025
Staff Recommendation/Rebuttal and Intervenor Testimony	May 23, 2025 (Staff requested May 27, 2025)	May 27, 2025
Cross-Answering Testimony	Not included	June 24, 2025
Surrebuttal	June 30, 2025	July 15, 2025
List of Issues & Witnesses, Order of Openings, Witness Testimony and Cross Examination	July 9, 2025	July 24, 2025
Position Statements	July 14, 2025	July 30, 2025
Settlement Conference	Week of July 14, 2025	Week of August 4, 2025
Evidentiary Hearing	Week of August 18, 2025*	Week of August 18, 2025
Briefing	Week of September 1, 2025	Week of September 1, 2025
Requested Order Date	October 1, 2025	October 1, 2025

*DCC proposed the week of August 18th for evidentiary hearing in an attempt to avoid several conflicts on the Commission's calendar in late July and early August. The week of August 18th remains open.

7. Google's schedule includes a date for cross-answering testimony, which is critical for the completeness of the record. This proceeding involves numerous intervenors representing a range of perspectives. The Commission and the parties will benefit from allowing the intervenors to respond to one another through prefiled testimony. Further, the opportunity for cross-answering testimony can be added without disrupting the DCC's proposed hearing, briefing, and order dates.

WHEREFORE, Google respectively requests that the Commission issue an order establishing a procedural schedule in accordance with Google's proposal set forth above.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been emailed to all parties of record this 11th day of April, 2025.

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