BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West for Permission and Approval of Certificates of Convenience and Necessity Authorizing It to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Manage, Maintain, and Control Two Solar Generation Facilities

File No. EA-2024-0292

ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Issue Date: April 24, 2025

Effective Date: April 24, 2025

On October 25, 2024, Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West filed an application requesting certificates of convenience and necessity authorizing it to construct, install, own, operate, manage, maintain, and control two solar generating facilities.

On April 17, 2025, Evergy Missouri West filed its *Proposed Procedural Schedule* on behalf of all parties. After consultation among the presiding judge and the parties, the Commission will adopt the proposed procedural schedule with minor adjustments and additional procedural guidelines.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The following procedural schedule is established (all dates refer to the year 2025):

Rebuttal	May 7
Surrebuttal	May 19
List of Issues, Order of Witnesses, Order of Opening Statements, and Order of Cross Examination	May 20
Position Statements	May 21

Settlement Conference	May 22
Discovery Cut-Off	May 23
Evidentiary Hearing	May 27-28
Initial Briefs	June 27
Reply Briefs	July 10

2. The parties shall comply with the following discovery procedures:

a. All parties shall provide copies of testimony (including schedules), exhibits, and pleadings to other counsel of record by electronic means and in electronic form essentially concurrently with the filing of such testimony, exhibits or pleadings where the information is available in electronic format. Parties are not required to put information that does not exist in electronic format into electronic format for purposes of exchanging it.

b. Parties shall make all reasonable efforts to not include confidential information in data requests. If confidential information must be included in data requests, the confidential information will be appropriately designated as such pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.135.

Data requests issued to or by Staff shall be submitted and C. responded to in the Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System (EFIS), if feasible, or in electronic format on compact disc or by other means agreed to by counsel, if infeasible. Counsel for each party shall receive electronically from each other party serving a data request, an electronic copy of the text of the "description" of that data request contemporaneously with service of the data request. Regarding Staff-issued data requests, if the description contains confidential information, or is voluminous, a hyperlink to the EFIS record of that data request shall be considered a sufficient copy. If a party desires the response to a data request that has been served on another party, the party desiring a copy of the response must request a copy of the response from the party answering the data request. Data requests shall be sent by e-mail to counsel for the other parties. Counsel may designate other personnel to be added to the service list for data requests, but shall assume responsibility for compliance with any restrictions on confidentiality. Data request responses shall be served on counsel for the requesting party, unless waived by counsel, and on the requesting party's employee or representative who submitted the data request, and shall be served electronically, if feasible and not voluminous as defined by Commission rule. Evergy's responses to Staff data requests will be available to other parties on EFIS. In addition, Evergy's responses to all parties' data requests will be available for review on CaseWorksEX for parties who complete the requirements for accessing the CaseWorksEX system.

d. Until the filing of Rebuttal testimony, the response time for all data requests shall be 20 calendar days, and 10 calendar days to object or notify that more than 20 calendar days will be needed to provide the requested information. After the filing of Rebuttal testimony (May 7, 2025) and before the filing of Surrebuttal testimony (May 19, 2025), the response time for data requests shall be 10 calendar days to provide the requested information, and 5 business days to object or notify that more than 10 calendar days will be needed to provide the requested information. After the filing of Surrebuttal testimony (May 19, 2025), the response time for data requests shall be 5 business days to provide the requested information, and 2 business days to object or notify that more than 5 calendar days will be needed to provide the requested information. Data requests sent after 5:00 pm will be considered served on the next business day.

e. Workpapers prepared in the course of developing a witness' testimony (including schedules) and exhibits shall not be filed with the Commission, but shall be submitted to each party within two business days following the filing of the particular testimony, unless a party has indicated that it does not want to receive some or all of the workpapers. Workpapers containing confidential information shall be appropriately marked. Counsel shall undertake to advise other counsel if the sponsored witness has no workpapers related to the round of testimony.

f. Where workpapers or data request responses include models or spreadsheets or similar information originally in a commonly available format where inputs or parameters may be changed to observe changes in inputs or outputs, if available in that original format, the party providing the workpaper or response shall provide this type of information in that original format with formulas intact. Workpapers shall be provided in electronic format by e-mailing or by delivery of a compact disc or other electronic storage media.

g. Documents filed in EFIS shall be considered properly served by serving the same on counsel of record for all other parties via email.

3. The parties shall comply with the following additional procedures:

a. The parties shall agree upon and Staff shall file a list of the issues to be heard, the witnesses to appear on each day of the hearing, the order in which they will be called, the order of party cross-examination for each witness, and the order of opening statements. The list of issues shall be stated with particularity. If the parties are unable to agree to an issues list, each party shall file a separate issues list.

b. Each party shall file a simple and concise statement summarizing its position on each disputed issue. Position statements shall track the list of issues. Any position statement shall set forth any order requested, cite any law authorizing that relief, and allege facts relevant under that law with citations to any pre-filed testimony in support.

b. All pleadings, briefs, and amendments shall be filed in accordance with Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.080. Briefs shall follow the same list of issues as filed in the case and must set forth and cite the proper portions of the record concerning the unresolved issues that the parties believe require decision by the Commission.

d. If an exhibit that a party intends to offer into evidence at the hearing has not been pre-filed, the party offering it must bring to the hearing, in addition to the copy for the court reporter, copies for the five Commissioners, the presiding judge, and all counsel.

4. Exhibit numbers are assigned in the following manner:

Evergy Missouri West	1-99
Commission Staff	100-199
Office of the Public Counsel	200-299
Midwest Energy Consumers Group (MECG)	300-399
Sierra Club	400-499
Renew Missouri	500-599

5. The Commission will request the evidentiary hearing transcripts be

prepared on an expedited basis.

6. This order shall be effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION



Nancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell Secretary

Kenneth J. Seyer, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri on this 24th day of April, 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 24th day of April 2025.



Wy Dippell

Nancy Dippell Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION April 24, 2025

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

Sincerely,

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Nancy Dippell Secretary

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