## STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held by internet and audio conference on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021

In the Matter of the Establishment of a	)	
Working Case Regarding FERC Order 2222	)	
Regarding Participation of Distributed Energy	)	File No. EW-2021-0267
Resource Aggregators in Markets Operated	)	
by Regional Transmission Organizations and	)	
Independent Systems Operators	)	

## ORDER OPENING A WORKING CASE TO CONSIDER THE COMMISSION'S RESPONSE TO FERC ORDER 2222

Issue Date: February 24, 2021 Effective Date: February 24, 2021

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued its Order No. 2222 on September 17, 2020. That order amends FERC's regulation to remove barriers to the participation of distributed energy resource aggregators in the capacity, energy, and ancillary service markets operated by Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators (RTO/ISO). The order requires each RTO/ISO to file tariff changes at FERC to implement the amended rule. A copy of the FERC order is attached to this order

Order No. 2222 and FERC's new regulations define a Distributed Energy Resource (DER) broadly as "any resource located on the distribution system, any subsystem thereof or behind a customer meter." FERC also prohibits RTOs from limiting the types of technologies that can join DER aggregations. Technologies include, but are not limited to, electric storage resources, distributed generation, demand response, energy efficiency,

thermal storage, and electric vehicles and their supply equipment. It is also possible that a DER aggregation could consist of a portfolio of diverse resources and technologies.

To determine how the Commission may best respond to the changes that will result from implementation of FERC Order No. 2222, and to review its current practices in these areas, the Commission will order each Missouri investor-owned electric utility to respond with suggestions by March 31, 2021. Any other interested stakeholder is invited to respond by the same date. The Commission will direct its Staff to compile the responses and to submit a report regarding those responses and offering Staff's recommendations by April 30, 2021.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri; Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro; Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West; and The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty are made parties to this case and are directed to respond by March 31, 2021.
  - 2. Any other interested stakeholder may respond by March 31, 2021.
- 3. The Commission's data center shall provide a copy of this order to the Southwest Power Pool (SPP); the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO); subscribers to the service list for EW-2021-0077, the Commission's working case to consider changes to the cogeneration rule; and all parties in the most recent general rate case for each Missouri electric utility.
- 4. Staff shall compile the responses received, and shall file a report and recommendations by April 30, 2021.

## 5. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge