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 For)
Authority to Issue Debt Securities)

File No. EF-2020-0301

ORDER DIRECTING STAFF TO FILE RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: April 10, 2020 Effective Date: April 10, 2020

On April 10, 2020, Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro (Evergy Metro) submitted an application requesting authority to issue debt securities in the form of General Mortgage Bonds, in principal amount up to \$400 million. This request is made in response to the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Evergy Metro also seeks expedited treatment of its financing application, requesting that a Commission order on the application be effective no later than May 11, 2020, to allow it to participate in the reopening of capital markets. In addition, Evergy Metro requests waiver of the 60-day notice requirement under Commission rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017.

The Commission will direct the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission to file an expedited recommendation regarding Evergy Metro's application. If Staff finds it requires more time to prepare a recommendation, it may request additional time.

The Commission will order replies to Staff's recommendation in a shortened time frame.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. No later than April 23, 2020, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file a recommendation regarding Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro's application requesting authority to issue debt securities in the form of General Mortgage Bonds, in principal amount up to \$400 million.
- Responses to Staff's recommendation shall be filed no later than noon, April
 27, 2020.
 - 3. This order shall be effective when issued.

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BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Charles Hatcher, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo (2016).

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 10th day of April, 2020.

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 10th day of April 2020.

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Morris L. Woodruff

Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION April 10, 2020

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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 Secretary

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