

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 13th day of February 2020.

In the Matter of Evergy Missouri West, Inc.)
d/b/a Evergy Missouri West's Demand)
Side Investment Mechanism Rider Rate)
Adjustment and True-Up Required by 20)
CSR 4240-20.093(4))

File No. ER-2020-0155
Tariff No. YE-2020-0113

**ORDER APPROVING DEMAND SIDE INVESTMENT MECHANISM
RIDER RATE ADJUSTMENT TARIFF**

Issue Date: February 13, 2020

Effective Date: March 1, 2020

On December 2, 2019, Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West¹ (Evergy West) filed a tariff assigned Tariff No. JE-2020-0093, with supporting testimony, to adjust charges related to its approved Demand Side Investment Mechanism (DSIM) rider under the Missouri Energy Efficiency Investment Act (MEEIA). The submitted tariff sheets originally showed an effective date of February 1, 2020. The Commission issued notice of the filing, set an intervention deadline, and directed the Commission's Staff to submit a recommendation.

On December 30, 2019, the Commission granted Evergy West a variance of the time requirements in Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.093, extending the time for Staff to file a recommendation to February 1, 2020, and allowing Evergy West to file substitute tariff sheets bearing a March 1, 2020, effective date. Evergy West was also granted permission to file additional testimony that included projected MEEIA Cycle 3 costs as

¹ Formerly known as KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company.

part of this DSIM tariff filing. The purpose of including the projected MEEIA Cycle 3 costs in this DSIM tariff is to allow the amounts authorized in File No. EO-2019-0132 (Approving Evergy West's MEEIA Cycle 3) to be recovered over a longer time, resulting in less future rate volatility.

Evergy West filed Tariff Revision YE-2020-0113 on January 10, 2020, and on January 15, 2020, Evergy West filed notice that it was withdrawing Tariff No. JE-2020-0094. Evergy West also filed a motion for expedited treatment of Tariff Revision YE-2020-0113, so it could become effective on March 1, 2020.

Staff submitted a recommendation on January 31, 2020, advising the Commission to approve Evergy Missouri West's Tariff No. YE-2020-0113, as substituted January 29, 2020.

Commission Rules 20 CSR 4240-20.093(4) and 20 CSR 4240-3.163(8) require Evergy West to make semi-annual adjustments of its DSIM rates to reflect the amount of revenue that has been over- or under-collected. The proposed tariff sheet increases the current residential DSIM Rider rate from \$0.00373 per kWh to \$0.00504 per kWh for residential customers. For a residential customer using 1,000 kWhs, this change will increase the customer's bill by \$1.31 per month.

The proposed tariff sheet would change the current non-residential DSIM Rider rate for Small General Service, Large General Service, and Large Power Service from \$0.00437 per kWh to \$0.00449, \$0.00363, and \$0.00240 per kWh respectively. For a non-residential customer using 1,000 kWh, this would mean a \$0.12 increase for Small General Service, a \$0.74 decrease for Large General Service, and a \$1.97 decrease for Large Power Service per month.

Commission rule 20 CSR 4240-20.093(4), regarding adjustment of DSIM rates between general rate proceedings, states that if the proposed adjustments are in accordance with the rule, Section 393.1075, RSMo, and the previously-approved DSIM the Commission shall issue an order approving the tariff. The Commission has reviewed Evergy West's tariff filing and Staff's recommendation and memorandum, and finds that the proposed tariff implementing the DSIM rate adjustment is in compliance with Evergy West's existing DSIM tariff and with all applicable statutes and regulations. Good Cause exists to allow the tariff to become effective on its March 1, 2020, effective date, because that was the date authorized by the Commission in its December 30, 2019, order granting a variance of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.093. Accordingly, the Commission will grant the motion for expedited treatment and approve Evergy Missouri West's tariff to take effect of March 1, 2020.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West's motion for expedited treatment is granted.
2. Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West's tariff filing, assigned Tariff Tracking No. YE-2020-0113, is approved to be effective March 1, 2020, as an interim rate adjustment, subject to prudence review. The tariff sheets approved are:

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10th Revised Sheet No. 138.7, Cancelling Ninth Revised Sheet No. 138.7
1st Revised Sheet No. 138.17, Cancelling Original Sheet No. 138.17

3. This order shall become effective on March 1, 2020.
4. This file shall close on March 2, 2020.



BY THE COMMISSION

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

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

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

Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge