# 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	)	Case No. EO-2025-0154
For Approval of New and Modified Tariffs for	)	
Service to Large Load Customers	)	

#### ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO APPEAR REMOTELY

Issue Date: September 24, 2025 Effective Date: September 24, 2025

On February 14, 2025, Evergy Metro Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West applied for approval of Large Load Tariffs before the Public Service Commission of the State of Missouri. On February 25, 2025, the Data Center Coalition applied to intervene in the case and it was granted Intervention by Commission Order, on March 20, 2025.

On August 25, 2025, Nikhil Vijaykar filed a *Motion To Appear And Participate Pro Hac Vice And Motion For Partial Waiver of 20 CSR 4240-2.040(3)(c)(2)* and Missouri Supreme Court Rules 6.01(n) and 9.03, for himself, an attorney in San Francisco, California and Alissa Greenwald, an attorney in Denver, Colorado for leave to appear and participate in the proceeding and, on August 26, 2025, the Commission granted that request.

On September 22, 2025, the Data Center Coalition filed a *Motion to Appear Remotely* at the evidentiary hearing scheduled to begin on September 29, 2025. The Motion states the two witnesses and the two Data Center Coalition attorneys reside out of the state of Missouri and wish to avoid the time and expense of travel. Attorney Vijaykar also states he has a conflict with additional hearing dates and would like to be excused

from direct participation in the hearing to accommodate travel following Ms. Greenwald's wedding.

The Commission has a strong preference for an attorney appearing in a Commission matter to attend the evidentiary hearing in person unless there are truly exigent circumstances, rather than mere convenience for the attorney. The Commission notes that this hearing was scheduled many weeks ago and that the motion to appear remotely was filed a mere week before the hearing date. In spite of the Commission's preference for in person attendance, the Commission will grant the request. The Commission notes that if the DCC chooses not to attend the hearing, they waive the opportunity to review evidence presented at the hearing and further waive the opportunity to object to evidence presented at the hearing on the basis that they have no opportunity to review the evidence presented. Additionally, DCC will be responsible for obtaining any evidence presented at the hearing from EFIS after it has been admitted at the evidentiary hearing.

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The *Motion to Appear Remotely* is granted.
- 2. The Data Center Coalition will obtain evidence presented at the hearing from EFIS after it has been admitted at the evidentiary hearing.
  - This order shall be effective when issued.

## BY THE COMMISSION

Nancy Dippell



Nancy Dippell Secretary

Karolin S. Walker, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 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 24<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025.

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

Sincerely,

Nancy Dippell Secretary

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