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TRUE-UP REBUTTAL TESTIMONY

OF

CASSIDY WEATHERS

Submitted on Behalf of the Office of the Public Counsel

EVERGY METRO, INC. D/B/A EVERGY MISSOURI METRO AND EVERGY MISSOURI WEST, INC. D/B/A EVERGY MISSOURI WEST

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EVERGY MISSOURI WEST

		CASE NO. ER-2022-0130
1	<u>I.</u>	INTRODUCTION
2	Q.	Please state your name and business address.
3	A.	Cassidy Weathers, PO Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.
4	Q.	Are you the same Cassidy Weathers who filed direct, rebuttal, surrebuttal, and true-up
5		direct testimony in this case on behalf of the Missouri Office of the Public Counsel
6		("OPC")?
7	A.	Yes.
8	Q.	What is the purpose of this true-up rebuttal testimony?
9	A.	The purpose of my true-up rebuttal testimony is to give updated normalized annual amounts
10		for rate case expense for Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West (collectively
11		"Evergy").
12	<u>II.</u>	RATE CASE EXPENSE
13	Q.	Are you updating your normalized amount per year for rate case expense?
14	A.	Yes.

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Q. Why?

 A. I realized in Public Service Commission Staff ("Staff") witness Jared Giacone's true-up direct rate case expense workpapers there were more true-up expenses than the invoices that were provided. I could not find the file that contained the true-up MSC-MO22 Pivot spreadsheet, which lists the expenses incurred during the rate case and throughout the true-up period. I could only find the invoices that were expensed during the true-up period and concluded those were the only expenses incurred for true-up. I updated the rate case expenses to include the remaining true-up expenses.

Also, I noticed that Staff witness Mr. Giacone included an average post true-up expense total from the two previous Evergy Missouri Metro ("Metro") and Evergy Missouri West ("West") cases. He added the average post true-up total to the subtotal that did not include depreciation and line loss study expenses and then divided the new total by 2 to represent the sharing mechanism, or 50/50 split, in each case. I have implemented Mr. Giacone's average post true-up numbers in my normalized annual amount for Metro and West because more true-up expenses can be reported after the initial true-up expenses were filed and it will cover any additional expenses in my normalized amount. Besides including an average post true-up total to my calculation, my process to get a normalized amount per year total remains the same as described in my rebuttal testimony.¹

Q. What is your updated normalized amount per year totals for Metro and West?

A.	I have a	normalized	amount	per	year	total	of	**		**	for	Metro	and
	**	** for We	est. These	amo	ounts a	re bro	ken-	down	in my	confid	entia	l workp	aper,
	CW-TU-1.												

¹ ER-2022-0129 & ER-2022-0130, Cassidy Weathers' Rebuttal Testimony, page 2, lines 9-20

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- 1 Q. Does this conclude your true-up rebuttal testimony?
- 2 A. Yes.

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro's Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Electric Service))	Case No. ER-2022-0129				
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AFFIDAVIT OF CASSIDY WEATHERS						

STATE OF MISSOURI)	
)	SS
COUNTY OF COLE)	

Cassidy Weathers, of lawful age and being first duly sworn, deposes and states:

- 1. My name is Cassidy Weathers. I am a Utility Regulatory Auditor for the Office of the Public Counsel.
 - 2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes is my true-up rebuttal testimony.
- 3. I hereby swear and affirm that my statements contained in the attached testimony are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Cassidy Weathers

Utility Regulatory Auditor

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Subscribed and sworn to me this 25th day of August 2022.

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TIFFANY HILDEBRAND My Commission Expires August 8, 2023 Cole County Commission #15637121

My Commission expires August 8, 2023.

Tiffany Hildebrand

Notary Public

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