

**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) **Case No. EF-2026-0206**
Authority to Issue Debt Securities)

STAFF PLEADING AND STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”), by and through counsel, and for its *Staff Pleading and Status Report*, states as follows:

1. On May 15, 2026, Evergy Metro, Inc., d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro (“Evergy Missouri Metro”) filed its *Application to Issue Debt Securities*, which in part requested that the Commission issue an order to become effective on July 17, 2026.

2. On June 12, 2026, the Commission entered an *Order Directing a Staff Pleading* (the “Order”). The Order directs Staff to file a pleading no later than June 15, 2026, indicating whether Staff could file an expedited recommendation about Evergy Missouri Metro’s application by June 26, 2026, or whether Staff needs additional time.

3. Staff requested information from Evergy Missouri Metro through certain Data Requests (“DRs”), to which Evergy Missouri Metro has provided responses as recently as June 8, 2026. Staff submitted a follow-up DR as recently as June 11, 2026, to which a response is due by July 1, 2026, as shown in the Commission’s Electric Filing and Information System. Staff continues to review the DR responses received to date and requests additional time to review the information provided thus far and determine if further information is needed.

4. To provide sufficient time to conduct further discovery if necessary, analyze newly acquired data and information, and complete its investigation, Staff will need additional time to complete and file its recommendation. Staff will endeavor to complete its review and file a recommendation on or by July 3, 2026.

5. Counsel for Evergy Missouri Metro has been contacted regarding this *Staff Pleading and Status Report* on June 12 and June 15, but Staff Counsel was unable to confirm EMM's non-opposition before the filing of this *Staff Pleading and Status Report*.

6. This *Staff Pleading and Status Report* is made in the interest of justice and without the intent to unreasonably delay or hinder these proceedings in any manner.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully submits this *Staff Pleading and Status Report* for the Commission's information and consideration and requests the Commission grant Staff until July 3, 2026, to file its recommendation in this matter and to grant such other and further relief as the Commission considers just and reasonable in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been transmitted by electronic mail to counsel of record this 15th day of June, 2026.

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