

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Fifth Prudence Review)
of Costs Subject to the Commission-)
Approved Fuel Adjustment Clause of) Case No. EO-2023-0276
Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri)
Metro)

In the Matter of the Eleventh Prudence)
Review of Costs Subject to the)
Commission-Approved Fuel Adjustment) Case No. EO-2023-0277
Clause of Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a)
Evergy Missouri West)

**EVERGY MISSOURI METRO’S AND EVERGY MISSOURI WEST’S
REQUEST FOR HEARING**

COMES NOW, Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro (“Evergy Missouri Metro”) and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West (“Evergy Missouri West”) (collectively, the “Company”) and hereby submit their *Request for Hearing* and, in support thereof, state as follows:

1. On August 30, 2023, following its 5th prudence review related to the fuel adjustment clause (“FAC”) for Evergy Missouri Metro, Staff (“Staff”) for the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) filed its *5th Prudence Review of Costs Related to the Fuel Adjustment Clause* related to Evergy Missouri Metro (“Metro Staff Report”) in this proceeding, as required by Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090(11) and Missouri Revised Statute 16 Section 386.266.5(4). The Metro Staff Report identifies:

[E]vidence of imprudence by Evergy Missouri Metro choosing to do nothing about the substantial ratepayer harm caused by the PPAs it chose to sign into approximately ten years ago. [...] Staff recommends the Commission order an Ordered Adjustment (“OA”)

in the amount of \$12,401,229, plus interest, to be applied to Evergy Missouri Metro's next Fuel Adjustment Rate ("FAR") filing.¹

2. Also, on August 30, 2023, following its 11th prudence review related to the fuel adjustment clause ("FAC") for Evergy Missouri West, Staff for the Commission filed its *11th Prudence Review of Costs Related to the Fuel Adjustment Clause* related to Evergy Missouri West ("West Staff Report") in this proceeding, as required by Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090(11) and Missouri Revised Statute 16 Section 386.266.5(4). The West Staff Report identifies:

[E]vidence of imprudence by Evergy Missouri West choosing to do nothing about the substantial ratepayer harm caused by the Purchased Power Agreement ("PPAs") it chose to sign into approximately ten years ago. [...] Staff also found evidence of imprudence by Evergy Missouri West when it included Southwest Power Pool ("SPP") administrative fees for transmission cost. Staff recommends the Commission order an Ordered Adjustment ("OA") in the amount of \$2,076.20, plus interest, for transmission SPP administrative fees, and \$13,989,508, plus interest, for purchased power costs, to be applied to Evergy Missouri West's next Fuel Adjustment Rate ("FAR") filing.²

3. The Company disputes the Staff's alleged disallowances. Consequently, and in compliance with Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090(11)B, the Company hereby requests a hearing regarding the Metro Staff Report and West Staff Report. In addition, the Company asks the Commission to set a prehearing conference so that the parties can develop a recommended procedural schedule for this case.

WHEREFORE, the Company respectfully requests a hearing regarding the Staff Report(s) and asks that the Commission schedule a prehearing conference so that a procedural schedule may be developed.

¹ See, *Metro Staff Report*, p. 2, Ins. 13-19, Docket No. EO-2023-0276.

² See, *West Staff Report*, p. 2, Ins. 13-22, Docket No. EO-2023-0277.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been hand-delivered, emailed or mailed, postage prepaid, to the Staff of the Commission and to the Office of the Public Counsel this 31st day of August 2023.

/s/ Roger W. Steiner

**Attorney for Evergy Missouri Metro and
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