BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of a Working Case Regarding Utility)	
Actions Related to Securing Funding from the)	File No. AW-2023-0156
Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and the)	
Inflation Reduction Act of 2022.)	

EVERGY COMMENTS

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, "Evergy" or the "Company"), and state as follows:

- 1. On August 15, 2023, the Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC") filed a Motion for Order Directing Status Reports and Updates Regarding Plans and Funding from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 and the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 ("Motion").
- 2. On August 25, 2023, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Ameren Missouri") filed its *Response* ("Response") to OPC's Motion.
- 3. Evergy concurs with Ameren's Response and does not object to OPC's request to provide a status report regarding current and future *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act* ("IIJA") and *Inflation Reduction Act* ("IRA") applications. Further, the Company supports Ameren's recommendation that the utilities and OPC determine a mutually-agreed upon filing date for the requested information or, alternatively, that the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") direct the utilities to provide the requested information in late October 2023, which allows time for the federal agencies to respond to the application(s), to provide a more detailed summary of said application(s), and minimize the need for multiple filings in this docket.

WHEREFORE, the Company respectfully requests that the Commission accept these comments for consideration in determining the next steps.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certified that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was sent by electronic transmission, facsimile, U.S. Mail or e-mail to counsel for all parties of record on this 31st day of August 2023.

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