

Before the Public Service Commission  
Of the State of Missouri

In the Matter of the Evergy Metro Inc. d/b/a  
Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West,  
Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West for Permission and  
Approval of Certificates of Convenience and Necessity  
Authorizing them to Construct, Install, Own, Operate,  
Manage, Maintain, and Control a Natural Gas Production  
Facility and a Battery Energy Storage System

Case No. EA-2026-0343

**Motion to Intervene of Ron Hitchings**

1. Comes now Ron Hitchings, appearing pro se, and pursuant to 20 CSR 42-2.075 respectfully moves the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) for an order granting him intervention in Case No. EA-2026-0343.
2. Hitchings is a person and resident and property owner in Buchanan County, Missouri. His street and mailing address is 10685 SE State Rt E, Agency, Mo 64401. His email address is [ronchitchings@gmail.com](mailto:ronchitchings@gmail.com) and phone number is (816) 596-0550.
3. Hitchings personally owns and operates a farm at this location. Also has his residence at this location. This location is adjacent to the proposed site. His home site is 700 feet from the proposed 710-megawatt combined-cycle natural gas fired electric generating plant in Buchanan County, Missouri.
4. Hitchings is directly affected by the site location. Because of the close proximity, Hitchings has direct and substantial interest in the Commission's decision that is different from the interest of the general public.
5. Hitchings is concerned that the construction and operation of the Buchanan County Bluffs Unit 2 may adversely affect his residence, property, business, and use and enjoyment of his property. Main concerns are potential effects of noise, construction and operational traffic, water resources, property value, the rural character of the surrounding area, and the agricultural use of the farm land.
6. Hitchings is concerned about the crop yield that could be adversely affected by ozone, pollution, light pollution, air quality. This is his way of life and source of income.
7. Hitchings is concerned about the public health impacts on his family and surrounding community. His life is built around this location. His daughter and grandchildren live within a few yards of his property. He plans to live out his life in this community.

8. Hitchings would like to see evidence of the defined maximum permitted NOx emissions from Unit 1 and 2 tons per year and pounds per hour. Also an ozone model of the plume radius.
9. Hitchings seeks intervention so that he may receive case information, participate in proceedings, present relevant information concerning potential localized impacts, and protect his individual interest in the case process.
10. Hitchings presently **Opposes the authorized construction and operation of the Buchanan County Bluffs Energy Center Unit 2.**

Wherefore, Ron Hitchings requests that the Commission grant this Motion to Intervene, make him a party to Case No. EA-2026-0343.

Thank you,  
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