

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

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy Metro, Inc.	Case No.
d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri	EA-2026-0343
West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West for Permission	
and Approval of Certificates of Convenience and	
Necessity	

**RESPONSE OF LEE AND RUNAE RHOAD TO EVERGY'S OPPOSITION TO APPLICATION
TO INTERVENE**

September 23, 2026

COMES NOW Lee Rhoad and Runae Rhoad, appearing on their own behalf, and respectfully respond to Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West's opposition to their timely Application to Intervene. They ask the Commission to grant their application. In support, they state:

1. Timely application. We filed our Application to Intervene by the September 17, 2026 deadline. Evergy identifies our application among the timely applications it opposes.

2. Identified property. Evergy argues that our application did not identify land we own. We clarify that our residential property is identified in Buchanan County GIS as Parcel No. 09-9.0-31-000-000-004.003. The approximate coordinates of our residence are 39.61762381980096 latitude and -94.64954673571741 longitude. Based on our measurements, our residence is approximately 2.35 miles (3.78 kilometers) from the proposed site in a straight line and approximately four miles away by car on public roads. These figures reflect different methods of measuring the same locations.

3. Personal interest. We do not claim that Evergy proposes a facility or easement across our property. Our interest concerns potential effects on our own home, property, and daily use and enjoyment of the rural area. These include water supply, noise, air emissions, lighting, traffic, and the combined local effects of the two proposed generating units and their shared facilities. Effects of a generating plant need not be confined to property physically occupied by its equipment.

4. Water supply. Project correspondence discussed approximately 150 gallons per minute during construction and up to approximately 500 gallons per minute on a hot day with both units operating. The latter is a peak figure for both units, not an average or a Unit 2-only figure. Buchanan County Public Water Supply District No. 1 advised that it could not supply the requested volume, and Evergy stated it would explore another source. We seek to participate in examining Unit 2's expected water demand, the combined demand of both units, the proposed source, and possible effects on nearby residents and farms.

5. Public Counsel and public interest. We respect the Office of Public Counsel's role in representing the public. We can also provide firsthand information about our identified property and the area surrounding the proposed facility. That other nearby residents may share some concerns does not eliminate the potential effects on our particular property. Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.075(3) allows the Commission to grant intervention if an applicant has an interest different from that of the general public that may be adversely affected by a final order, or if intervention would serve the public interest. We ask the Commission to consider both grounds. We intend to participate in good faith and provide relevant information without unnecessary duplication.

WHEREFORE, Lee and Runae Rhoad respectfully request that the Commission deny Evergy's opposition as to their application, grant their timely Application to Intervene in Case No. EA-2026-0343, and grant such other relief as the Commission considers appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on September 23, 2026, I filed this response through the Missouri Public Service Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System and served the parties of record in accordance with applicable Commission procedures.

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