

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

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| 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 TOM AND ANNIE RHOAD TO EVERGY'S OPPOSITION TO APPLICATION  
TO INTERVENE**

September 24, 2026

COMES NOW Tom Rhoad and Annie 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 lists our application among the timely applications it opposes.

**2. Our home and its location.** Evergy argues that our application identified no property, distance, or ownership. We clarify that we own and live on property identified in Buchanan County GIS as Parcel No. 09-9.0-31-000-000-004.004. The approximate coordinates of the location we measured are 39.6501288 latitude and -94.6611819 longitude. Based on our measurements, our home is approximately 2.06 miles (3.32 kilometers) from the proposed Buchanan Bluffs Energy Center site in a straight line and approximately four miles away by car on public roads. The two figures reflect different methods of measuring the same locations.

**3. Effects on our daily life at home.** We live in a rural residential area, not an industrial area. We value its quiet setting and dark nights. We are concerned that operation of the proposed plant and its associated facilities could bring noise and lighting that change how we use and enjoy our home and land. We also want the potential health effects of emissions and other project activities on nearby residents examined. We are raising these as concerns to be evaluated, not claiming that a particular health effect has already occurred.

**4. A property crossing is not the only potential effect.** We do not claim that Evergy proposes a facility or easement across our parcel. Evergy's focus on that fact does not answer our concern about what living near a large generating facility could mean for our own home. We ask the Commission to consider the location of our specifically identified residence and the potential noise, lighting, and other effects of placing this industrial facility in a rural neighborhood.

**5. Intervention standard and public interest.** We respect the Office of Public Counsel's role in representing the public. We can provide firsthand information about our home, our property, and the conditions in the surrounding area. Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.075(3) permits 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 in light of our ownership, residence, proximity, and particular concerns. We intend to participate in good faith without unnecessary duplication.

WHEREFORE, Tom and Annie Rhoad respectfully request that the Commission deny Everygy'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.

/s/ Tom Rhoad

/s/ Annie Rhoad