

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

In the Matter of the Request of Evergy)
Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro for)
Authority to Implement a General Rate)
Increase for Electric Service)

Case No. ER-2026-0143

**MECG Response to Commission’s Order
Shortening Time to Object to Stipulation and Agreements**

COMES NOW, the Midwest Energy Consumers Group, (“MECG”) and pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.115, the Commission’s Order Shortening Time to Object to Stipulation and Agreements issued October 5, 2026, and the Commission’s Order Shortening Time to Object to Stipulation and Agreement issued October 7, 2026, states its positions on the following non-unanimous stipulations as follows:

- 1) Programs Stipulation and Agreement filed on Oct. 7, 2026.¹

MECG does not object.

- 2) LLPS Partial Stipulation and Agreement (Public) filed on Oct. 5, 2026.²

MECG understands that the Staff has filed an objection to this stipulation and it is now a joint position of the signatories.³ To the extent it is necessary to preserve its ability to take a position on these issues within its post-hearing briefs based on the testimony and evidence at hearing MECG objects to this stipulation.

- 3) Non-Unanimous Partial Settlement – Rate Design filed on Oct. 5, 2026.⁴

¹ EFIS Doc. No. 320.

² EFIS Doc. No. 317.

³ EFIS Doc. No. 318.

⁴ EFIS Doc. No. 313.

MECG is a signatory to this stipulation and urges the Commission to adopt its terms as an appropriate resolution of the issues addressed within.

- 4) Partial Stipulation and Agreement - Non-C&I Rate Design filed on Oct. 2, 2026.⁵

MECG does not object.

- 5) Partial Stipulation and Agreement filed on Oct. 2, 2026.⁶

MECG does not object to the terms, except with respect to the Depreciation provisions insofar as the issue of the plant life adjustments recommended by Mr. Brian Andrews are reserved for hearing. As the document notes: “MECG does not oppose the agreement except that Brian Andrew’s life estimate adjustments are preserved for hearing. This preserves issue 17 (A) in part for MECG at hearing. A determination on that issue could impact the rates and the Staff revenue requirements in this Agreement.”

Specifically, MECG argues the depreciation rates used should take into account the probable retirement dates of generating units. When selecting probable retirement dates, all reliable sources of information should be considered. Here, EMM’s 2026 IRP Annual Update was filed in May 2026 and identifies that EMM now plans to continue operating several EMM generation units for at least an additional five years beyond its current estimates—moving from 2040 to at least 2045. EMM’s depreciation study in the rate case utilized 2040 as the probable retirement dates for Iatan Unit 1 and La Cygne Unit 2. MECG maintains the Commission should require the depreciation expense and rates in this case to take into account the updated probable retirement dates for Iatan Unit 1 and La Cygne Unit 2. For clarity, at this time, MECG is not pursuing its license extension adjustment for Wolf Creek.

⁵ EFIS Doc. No. 312.

⁶ EFIS Doc. No. 311.

6) Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement Regarding Pensions and Other Post-Employment Benefits filed on Oct. 2, 2026.⁷

MECG does not object.

WHEREFORE, MECG respectfully submits this Response to the Commission's Order Shortening Time to Object to Stipulation and Agreements.

Respectfully,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, emailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record this 7th day of October 2026:

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⁷ EFIS Doc. No. 310.