BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of 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 And a Battery Energy Storage System	)))))))))	**Case No. EA-2026-0343**

ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Issue Date: October 19, 2026 Effective Date: October 19, 2026

On August 31, 2026, Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a/ Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West, Inc., d/b/a Evergy Missouri West (collectively, Evergy) filed the above-referenced application. Evergy wishes to construct a 710 MW combined-cycle gas turbine electric generating plant, known as the Buchanan Bluffs Energy Center Unit 2, in Buchanan County, Missouri. Evergy also wishes to construct a 109 MW battery energy storage system, known as the Foxtrot BESS Project, in Jasper County, Missouri.

On October 14, 2026, Evergy, The Commission' Staff (Staff), the Office of the Public Counsel (OPC), and Renew Missouri filed a Joint Proposed Procedural Schedule. The Commission finds the schedule reasonable, and will adopt it with minor modifications.[1]

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

[1] Two individuals who were denied intervention objected to the proposed schedule. Those individuals are not parties and, thus, their objections are denied.

1. The following procedural schedule is established.

Discovery Conference	**October 26, 2026**
In-Person Local Public Hearing	**November 16, 2026**
Virtual Local Public Hearing	**November 17, 2026**[2]
Discovery Conference	**November 30, 2026**
Staff and Intervenor Rebuttal	**January 7, 2027**
Settlement Positions Exchanged	**January 12, 2027**
Settlement Conference	**January 14, 2027**
Testimony Supporting Settlement	**January 21, 2027**
On-the-record for Settlement	**January 27, 2027**
Surrebuttal/Cross-Surrebuttal	**February 4, 2027**
List of Issues, Witnesses, Etc.	**February 11, 2027**
Discovery Cutoff	**February 11, 2027**
Position Statements	**February 17, 2027**
Evidentiary Hearing	**February 24-26, 2027**
Initial Briefs	**March 19, 2027**
Reply Briefs	**March 29, 2027**

2. All parties shall provide copies of testimony, exhibits, pleadings, and other documents to all attorneys of record by electronic means at the time of filing, unless otherwise agreed.

3. Discovery shall be conducted pursuant to the Commission's rules. Discovery responses shall be served electronically upon counsel for the requesting party and made available to other parties upon request, subject to any applicable confidentiality designation or protective order.

[2] Further information regarding local public hearings will follow in a subsequent order.

4. The response time for data requests shall be twenty calendar days, with ten calendar days to object or request clarification, until January 6, 2027. Beginning January 7, 2027, the response time shall be ten calendar days, with five calendar days to object or request clarification. Beginning February 4, 2027, the response time shall be five business days, with two business days to object or request clarification. The Parties may agree to different response times for particular requests.

5. Discovery conferences will be held remotely unless otherwise agreed. Any discovery dispute not resolved by the Parties may be presented to the presiding officer in accordance with the Commission's rules.

6. Pre-filed testimony shall be filed in question-and-answer format, with line numbers, and shall identify the witness and sponsoring party. Testimony and schedules containing confidential information shall be filed in public and confidential versions as required by Commission rule and any protective order entered in this case.

7. The Parties shall cooperate in preparing the joint list of issues and the proposed order of witnesses, cross-examination, and opening statements. The inclusion of an issue on the joint list does not constitute agreement concerning the issue's phrasing, relevance, materiality, or proper resolution, and no party waives any objection or argument by participating in preparation of the list.

8. Position statements shall provide a concise statement of each party's position on each disputed issue and shall cite supporting pre-filed testimony when

practicable. Position statements will not constitute evidence and will not bind any party to a particular evidentiary presentation or legal argument.

9. The Parties reserve the right to seek modification of the procedural schedule for good cause.

10. The evidentiary hearing is set to begin on February 24 at 9:00 a.m. The hearing will be held at the Commission's office at the Governor Office Building, Room 310, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. This building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need an accommodation to participate in this hearing, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearing.

11. An in-person local public hearing is set for November 16, 2026, 6:00 p.m., at Missouri Western State University, 4525 Downs Drive, Blum 219 & 222, St. Joseph, Missouri.

12. A virtual local public hearing is set for November 17, 2026, 6:00 p.m.

13. The Commission's Public Policy and Outreach Department shall make notice of this order available to the members of the media and the General Assembly representing customers in Evergy Missouri West's electric service areas.

14. The Commission's Data Center shall provide a copy of this order to the county commission for each county in Evergy Missouri West's service area.

15. This order shall be effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION

Nancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell
Secretary

Ronald D. Pridgin, Deputy Chief
Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation
of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri
on this 19th day of October, 2026.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Pursuant to 386.290, RSMo., I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 19th day of October, 2026.

Nancy Dippell
Secretary

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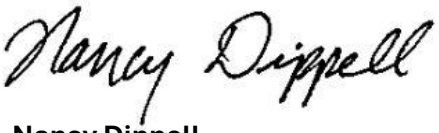
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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s). [1]

Sincerely,



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