

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

In the Matter of the Tariff Filing to Change the )	
Name of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations )	<b><u>File No. EN-2020-0064</u></b>
Company to Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a )	Tariff No. JE-2020-0046
Evergy Missouri West )	

**STAFF RESPONSE TO COMMISSION ORDER**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”), by and through Staff Counsel’s Office, and files the Staff Recommendation proposing approval of the Name Change Tariff No. JE-2020-0046 filed by KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company (“GMO”), and herein states it has no objection to Commission approval of GMO’s Request For Variance Or Waiver Of Sixty-Day Notice, pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1)(D)(for good cause shown). In support thereof, Staff states as follows:

1. On September 6, 2019, GMO filed with the Commission a name change electric tariff changing its name to Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West, effective October 7, 2019. Also on September 6, 2019, GMO separately filed a Request For Variance Or Waiver Of Sixty-Day Notice. On September 9, 2019, the Commission issued an Order Directing Staff To File Recommendation no later than September 19, 2019.

2. On September 17, 2019, GMO filed a Motion To Late-File Documents with the Commission. GMO sought to file the following documents with the Commission, pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.060(1)(B) and (5)(B): Evergy Missouri West, Inc., Name Change Certificate – Delaware Secretary of State; Evergy Missouri West, Inc., Certificate of Good Standing – Delaware Secretary of State; and Evergy Missouri West, Inc.,

Certificate of Good Standing – Missouri Secretary of State (Foreign Corporation Registration).

3. On September 18, 2019, the Commission issued an Order Sustaining Motion To Late-File in which it sustained GMO's Motion To Late-File Documents.

4. Attached as Exhibit 1 is the Staff Memorandum Recommendation of Robin Kliethermes, Staff Rate & Tariff Examination Manager, which Recommendation states, in part, that "Staff has reviewed the revised tariff sheet [Tariff No. JE-2020-0046] and recommends the Commission issue an order approving the following tariff sheet [P.S.C. MO. No. 1, Second Revised Sheet No. 0.1 Cancelling First Revised Sheet No. 0.1], with an effective date of October 7, 2019."

5. Staff has also reviewed GMO's Request For Variance Or Waiver Of Sixty-Day Notice, pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1)(D)(for good cause shown), and has no objection to the Commission granting the requested variance or waiver.

**WHEREFORE** as Staff relates in the attached Staff Memorandum Recommendation, Staff proposes approval of GMO's Name Change Tariff Sheet and as Staff states above, Staff has no objection to the Commission granting the requested variance or waiver of the sixty-day Notice requirement for good cause shown.

Respectfully submitted,

**/s/ Steven Dottheim**

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 19th day of September, 2019.

**/s/ Steven Dottheim**

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File  
File No. EN-2020-0064 and Tariff Tracking No. JE-2020-0046  
KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company

**FROM:** Robin Kliethermes, Rate & Tariff Examination Manager

/s/ Natelle Dietrich 9/19/19                      /s/ Steven Dottheim 9/19/19  
Director, Commission Staff / Date                      Staff Counsel Division / Date

**SUBJECT:** Staff Recommendation to Approve KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company (“GMO”) revised tariff sheet to reflect Evergy Missouri West, Inc. adopting the electric tariffs of GMO.

**DATE:** September 19, 2019

### GMO Filing

On September 6, 2019, GMO filed with the Commission one (1) tariff sheet bearing an issue date of September 6, 2019, and an effective date of October 7, 2019. The tariff sheet reflects GMO’s name change to Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West and adopts the electric tariffs of GMO. On September 17, 2019, GMO filed three documents: Evergy Missouri West Certificate of Name Change – Delaware Secretary of State, Certificate of Good Standing – Delaware Secretary of State, and Certificate of Good Standing – Missouri Secretary of State (foreign corporation registration) to comply with Commission rule 20 CSR 4240-2.060.

### Background

Following the Commission’s Order in EM-2018-0012 Great Plains Energy Incorporated and Westar Energy merged and Evergy, Inc. (“Evergy”) was created as a holding company owning, directly and indirectly, subsidiary operating utility companies. GMO provides that Kansas City Power & Light Company (“KCPL”) and GMO are both direct subsidiaries of Evergy and have decided to change their legal names to, respectively, Evergy Metro, Inc. and Evergy Missouri West, Inc.

The rate area formerly denominated as KCPL will be known as Evergy Missouri Metro and the rate area formerly denominated as GMO will be known as Evergy Missouri West going forward.

### Staff Recommendation

Staff has reviewed the revised tariff sheet and recommends the Commission issue an order approving the following tariff sheet, with an effective date of October 7, 2019.

P.S.C. MO. No. 1

Second Revised Sheet No. 0.1 Cancelling First Revised Sheet No. 0.1

The Staff has verified that GMO is not delinquent on any assessment and has filed its Annual Report. The Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects or is affected by this filing.

