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Mr. Morris Woodruff
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
Missouri Public Service Commission
200 Madison Street, Suite 100
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Re: Tariff Schedule to Adjust FAC Rates of Evergy Missouri Metro

Dear Mr. Woodruff:

On July 30, 2021, Evergy Missouri Metro or the “Company” filed proposed rate schedules to adjust charges related to the Company’s approved Fuel Adjustment Clause (“FAC”), Case No. ER-2022-0025. On August 27, 2021, Staff for the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”) filed its *Staff Recommendation To Reject Tariff Sheet* and on September 15, 2021, the Commission issued an *Order Rejecting Tariff to Change Fuel Adjustment Rates*. This is explained in more detail below. Evergy Missouri Metro is now making this new tariff filing as a result of discussions and agreement between Company and Staff to allow a proposed adjustment for amounts not now in question to be included in an interim FAC tariff revision. The proposed rate schedules bear an issue date of September 30, 2021 and an effective date of November 1, 2021.

In the Company’s proposed filing on July 30, 2021, the Company made adjustments to its Actual Net Energy Costs (“ANEC”) to remove the extraordinary impact of Winter Storm Uri which included both costs and revenues incurred due to the February cold weather event and has requested that the activity be deferred and recovered through an AAO (Case No. EU-2021-0283). Staff’s recommendation to reject the proposed tariff sheet is based on the premise that rule 20 CSR 4240-20.090(8)(A)2.A.(XI) allows for Evergy Missouri Metro to defer extraordinary costs, but does not allow it to defer extraordinary revenues resulting from Winter Storm Uri. Staff recommended that the Commission issue an order rejecting the Evergy Missouri Metro’s proposed revised tariff and to further direct Evergy Missouri Metro to file a substituted tariff sheet that includes its AP12 net revenues. Staff further recommended that pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-20.090(8)(H), the Commission suspend the timeline of the FAR adjustment filing, set a prehearing date, and order the parties to propose a procedural schedule.

In the Commissions Order issued on September 15, 2021, *Order Rejecting Tariff to Change Fuel Adjustment Rates*, the Commission indicated that the parties should determine if there is any part of the proposed adjustment not now in question that could be included in an interim FAC tariff revision, and be prepared to discuss an interim tariff revision at the

prehearing conference on September 27, 2021. Based on Staff's filed Report & Recommendation (R&R) in addition to subsequent discussions and agreement by the parties, the only disputed amounts in question are the extraordinary revenues that Evergy Missouri Metro had excluded from its proposed Fuel Adjustment Rate ("FAR") filing on July 30. Those revenues are now subject to dispute; therefore, the Company is resubmitting its proposed FAC tariff originally filed on July 30 as the interim FAC tariff revision for this filing.

Evergy Missouri Metro, Inc. and Staff agree that the proposed interim FAC tariff revision should go into effect within 30 days, or November 1, 2021. Evergy Missouri Metro and Staff also agree that the current effective tariff rates (5th Revised Sheet No. 50.31) that went into effect on April 1, 2021, will remain in effect for an additional month through October 31, 2021.

Copies of the proposed FAC-related rate schedules and all supporting materials described in this letter will be served electronically, this date, on the Commission's General Counsel, the Office of Staff Counsel, the Office of Public Counsel, and each party to Case No. ER-2018-0145.

Please provide a copy of all correspondence, notices, orders, and other communications that relate to this filing to the following as well as undersigned counsel:

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