

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy )  
Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri )  
West and Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy ) **File No. EA-2025-0075**  
Missouri Metro for Permission and Approval )  
of a Certificate of Public Convenience and )  
Necessity for Natural Gas Electrical )  
Production Facilities )

## ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Issue Date: February 26, 2025

Effective Date: February 26, 2025

Evergy Metro Inc., d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West (collectively, “Evergy”) filed an application with the Commission requesting a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) to construct, install, own, operate, control, manage and maintain three natural gas electrical production facilities.

On January 22, 2025, the Parties submitted a proposed procedural schedule. That schedule conflicted with another case and the Commission directed the parties to submit a second proposed procedural schedule. On February 13, 2025, the parties submitted a second proposed procedural schedule that the Commission has reviewed and will adopt.

### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The following procedural schedule is established:

<b>Evergy Supplemental Direct</b>	<b>February 19, 2025<sup>1</sup></b>
<b>WebEx Local Public Hearing</b>	<b>April 1, 2025</b>
<b>Staff Report/Rebuttal and Intervenor Rebuttal</b>	<b>April 25, 2025</b>

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<sup>1</sup> Evergy filed supplemental direct testimony on February 19, 2025.

<b>Surrebuttal/Cross Rebuttal/Additional Rebuttal to Every Supplemental Direct Testimony</b>	<b>May 14, 2025</b>
<b>Every Sur-Surrebuttal Testimony in Response to Additional Rebuttal to Every Supplemental Direct Testimony</b>	<b>May 21, 2025</b>
<b>List of Issues, Order of Witnesses Settlement Conference</b>	<b>May 21, 2025 May 22, 2025</b>
<b>Discovery Cut-Off</b>	<b>May 23, 2025</b>
<b>Position Statements</b>	<b>May 23, 2025</b>
<b>Evidentiary Hearing</b>	<b>May 28-30, 2025<sup>2</sup></b>
<b>Initial Brief</b>	<b>June 24, 2025</b>
<b>Reply Brief</b>	<b>July 8, 2025</b>

2. The Commission will hold a local public hearing via WebEx on April 1, 2025, beginning at 12:00 p.m. The Commission’s Public Policy and Outreach Department shall make an informal presentation and conduct a question-and-answer session for the public at the beginning of the local public hearing. Comments to the Commission from the public will begin at the conclusion of the question and answer session. Every, Staff, and the Office of the Public Counsel shall make a representative available to address substantive issues during the question-and-answer sessions. Any other party may also choose to have a representative present.

a. To attend a virtual local public hearing **by telephone**, at the time of the hearing call toll free 1-855-718-6621, listen to the prompt and enter the meeting number/access code 2864 938 1901, followed

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<sup>2</sup> File No. ER-2024-0261 has a settlement conference on May 29, 2025, the evidentiary hearing will recess during the settlement conference so necessary counsel may attend the conference.

by # (pound/hashtag symbol). If prompted for a password, enter 0075.

b. To attend a virtual local public hearing **by video/internet** visit the website at [www.webex.com](http://www.webex.com) or download the Cisco WebEx Meetings application. At hearing time enter the meeting number/access code 2864 938 1901 and password 0075.

3. The evidentiary hearing is scheduled for May 28-30, 2025, beginning the first day at 9:00 a.m. The hearing shall 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 accommodations 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.

4. Evergy will provide notice of the Local Public Hearing by electronic means only (no bill insert) via email and text messages to Evergy Missouri West's customers. The Parties agree that Evergy will (1) publish notice of the local public hearing in the publication "Nodaway News", (2) publish notice of the local public hearing on the Company's home internet site, and (3) send a media advisory to radio stations that serve the Nodaway County area. Evergy will distribute these notices approximately one week before the local public hearing.

5. The parties shall jointly file proposed language/content for the local public hearing electronic publication notices no later than March 3, 2025. Any objections or comments on the notice language must be filed no later than March 4, 2025.

## Discovery Procedures

6. The parties shall comply with the following additional procedural requirements:

a. All parties shall provide copies of testimony (including schedules), exhibits, and pleadings to other counsel of record by electronic means and in electronic form essentially concurrently with the filing of such testimony, exhibits or pleadings where the information is available in electronic format. Parties are not required to put information that does not exist in electronic format into electronic format for purposes of exchanging it.

b. Parties shall make all reasonable efforts to not include confidential information in data requests. If confidential information must be included in data requests, the confidential information will be appropriately designated as such pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.135.

c. Data requests issued to or by Staff shall be submitted and responded to in the Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System (EFIS), if feasible, or in electronic format on compact disc or by other means agreed to by counsel, if infeasible. Counsel for each party shall receive electronically from each other party serving a data request, an electronic copy of the text of the "description" of that data request contemporaneously with service of the data request. Regarding Staff issued data requests, if the description contains confidential information, or is voluminous, a hyperlink to the EFIS record of that data request shall be considered a sufficient copy. If a party desires the response to a data request that has been served on another party, the party desiring a copy of the response must request a copy of the response from the party answering the data request. Data requests shall be sent by e-mail to counsel for the other parties. Counsel may designate other personnel to be added to the service list for data requests, but shall assume responsibility for compliance with any restrictions on confidentiality. Data request responses shall be served on counsel for the requesting party, unless waived by counsel, and on the requesting party's employee or representative who submitted the data request, and shall be served electronically, if feasible and not voluminous as defined by Commission rule. Evergy's responses to Staff data requests will be available to other parties on EFIS. In addition, Evergy's responses to all parties' data requests will be available for review on CaseWorksEX for parties who complete the requirements for accessing the CaseWorksEX system.

d. Upon the filing of this procedural schedule with the Commission, the response time for all data requests shall be ten calendar days, and five calendar days to object or notify that more than ten calendar days will be

needed to provide the requested information. After the filing of Staff's Report/Rebuttal and Intervenor Rebuttal testimony (April 25, 2025) and until the discovery cut-off date (May 23, 2025), the response time for data requests shall be 5 business days to provide the requested information, and two business days to object or notify that more than five business days will be needed to provide the requested information. However, the response time for data requests concerning the Company's Sur-Surrebuttal testimony (May 21, 2025) shall be five calendar days to provide the requested information, and two calendar days to object or notify that more than five calendar days will be needed to provide the requested information. Data requests sent after 5:00 pm will be considered served on the next business day. The Commission may rule on discovery motions filed after Staff's Report/Rebuttal and Intervenor Rebuttal testimony is filed without holding the conference required by 20 CSR 4240- 2.090(8)(B).

e. Workpapers prepared in the course of developing a witness' testimony (including schedules) and exhibits shall not be filed with the Commission, but shall be submitted to each party within two business days following the filing of the particular testimony, unless a party has indicated that it does not want to receive some or all of the workpapers. Workpapers containing confidential information shall be appropriately marked. Counsel shall undertake to advise other counsel if the sponsored witness has no workpapers related to the round of testimony.

f. Where workpapers or data request responses include models or spreadsheets or similar information originally in a commonly available format where inputs or parameters may be changed to observe changes in inputs or outputs, if available in that original format, the party providing the workpaper or response shall provide this type of information in that original format with formulas intact. Workpapers shall be provided in electronic format by e-mailing or by delivery of a compact disc or other electronic storage media.

g. Documents filed in EFIS shall be considered properly served by serving the same on counsel of record for all other parties via e-mail.

h. The transcripts for the evidentiary hearing shall be expedited, with transcripts to be filed in EFIS no later than one week after hearing.

7. This order shall be effective when issued.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



*Nancy Dippell*

Nancy Dippell  
Secretary

John T. Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant to  
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025.

**STATE OF MISSOURI**

**OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**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 26<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.**



*Nancy Dippell*  
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**Nancy Dippell**  
**Secretary**

**MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**February 26, 2025**

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

**Sincerely,**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy Dippell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Nancy Dippell  
Secretary**

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