

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 for Permission and Approval of)
Certificates of Convenience and Necessity) **File No. EA-2024-0292**
Authorizing It to Construct, Install, Own,)
Operate, Manage, Maintain, and Control)
Two Solar Generation Facilities)

ORDER DIRECTING EXPEDITED STAFF RESPONSE

Issue Date: March 19, 2025

Effective Date: March 19, 2025

On December 17, 2024, the Commission issued an order granting its Staff an extension to March 17, 2025,¹ to file a recommendation with regard to the application of Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West (EMW), or a status report stating when it expected to file a recommendation.

On March 14, Staff filed a *Motion for Extension* in which it stated that, on February 27, EMW informed Staff of material facts that could affect Staff's recommendation on the Sunflower Sky solar farm portion of the application. Staff's motion requested an extension to April 17 in which to continue discovery regarding this development and file its recommendation. The Commission granted Staff's motion on March 14, extending the deadline for Staff to file its recommendation to April 17 in its *Order Extending Time for Staff Recommendation*.

On March 19, EMW filed a *Response to Staff's Motion for Extension and to the Commission's Sua Sponte Order Granting Staff's Motion for Extension of Time* (Response to Motion and Order). In it, EMW argues that it has provided Staff with

¹ Unless otherwise noted, all further date references are to the year 2025.

adequate evidence to permit Staff to provide its recommendation and reiterating the importance of a Commission decision on its application by the May 1 date requested in the application. The Response to Motion and Order requests the Commission require Staff to file its recommendation on or before April 7.

The Commission will direct Staff to file a response to EMW's Response to Motion and Order on an expedited basis.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. No later than March 24, 2025, Staff shall file a response to Evergy Missouri West's *Response to Staff's Motion for Extension and to the Commission's Sua Sponte Order Granting Staff's Motion for Extension of Time*.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Nancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell
Secretary

Kenneth J. Seyer, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri
on this 19th day of March, 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 19th day of March 2025.



Nancy Dippell

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Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

March 19, 2025

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

Sincerely,



**Nancy Dippell
Secretary**

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