

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

In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light)
Company’s Notice of Intent to File an) File No. EO-2019-0132
Application for Authority to Establish a Demand-)
Side Programs Investment Mechanism)

In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri)
Operations Company’s Notice of Intent to File an) File No. EO-2019-0133
Application for Authority to Establish a Demand-)
Side Programs Investment Mechanism)

**EVERGY MISSOURI METRO AND EVERGY MISSOURI WEST
RESPONSE TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

COME NOW, Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro (“Evergy Missouri Metro”) and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West (“Evergy Missouri West”) (collectively “Evergy” or “Company”) ¹ and, for their *Response* (“Response”) to Staff (“Staff”) for the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) *Recommendation for Approval with Modifications* (“Staff Recommendation”) dated July 19, 2021, states as follows:

1. The Company has communicated with Staff and other parties’ multiple times over the past year and a half in preparation for the PAYS[®] filing. Beginning in January 2020 with a Stakeholder Feedback Survey and follow-up meeting to discuss the various survey topics; included the structuring of Earnings Opportunity (“EO”). In addition there were several PAYS[®] updates provided over the last year, during Demand Side Management Advisory group (“DSMAG”) meetings, outlined below:

- DSMAG Quarterly Meeting Sept 29, 2020 – Very high-level PAYS[®] plan and timeline for program launch was discussed

¹ Effective October 7, 2019, Evergy Missouri Metro adopted the service territory and tariffs of Kansas City Power & Light Company (“KCP&L”) and Evergy Missouri West adopted the service territory and tariffs of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company (“GMO”).

- DSMAG Quarterly Meeting Jan 27,2021 – First introduction to the EO proposal for a performance metric on the percent of amount financed
- DSMAG Quarterly Meeting May 13, 2021 – Presented all EO proposed in the Company’s PAYS® filing (the 5% EO on amount financed, kWh/kW savings, and 3% interest rate)

2. The Company’s PAYS® filing was based in part on the feedback received in the above meetings.

3. The Company intends to further work with Staff and the parties to get agreement on the Earnings Opportunity.

WHEREFORE, the Company respectfully submits its Response to the Staff Recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been hand delivered, emailed or mailed, postage prepaid, this 27th day of July 2021, to all parties of record.

/s/ Roger W. Steiner

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