BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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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 Missouri Metro for Permission and Approval of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for Natural Gas Electrical Production Facilities

File No. EA-2025-0075

JOINTLY PROPOSED LIST OF ISSUES, ORDER OF OPENING STATEMENTS, LIST AND ORDER OF WITNESSES, AND ORDER OF CROSS-EXAMINATION

COMES NOW, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, on behalf of itself and the parties to this docket, and hereby submits its proposed *List of Issues, Order of Opening Statements, List and Order of Witnesses, and Order of Cross-Examination* in accordance with the Procedural Schedule set for the above-captioned proceeding. In preparing this list of issues, the parties attempted to list all contested issues, and attempted to obtain consensus on the descriptions of the issues. Not all parties agree that the issues below are issues to be decided in this case. However, to avoid the need to file multiple lists of issues, the parties have agreed to include all issues in this list, whether agreed to or not.

I. List of Issues

A. Does the evidence establish that (1) the advanced 710 megawatt ("MW") combined cycle gas turbine ("CCGT") generating facility to be located in Sumner County, Kansas ("Viola"), (2) a 440 MW simple-cycle gas turbine ("SCGT") generating facility located in Nodaway County, Missouri ("Mullin Creek #1"), and (3) the 710 MW CCGT generation facility to be located in Reno County, Kansas ("McNew") (collectively, "Projects") for which Evergy Missouri West is seeking a

certificate of convenience and necessity ("CCN") are necessary or convenient for the public service?

- 1. Should the Commission find that the Projects satisfy the first *Tartan* Factor of need?
- 2. Should the Commission find that the Projects satisfy the second *Tartan* Factor of economic feasibility?
- 3. Should the Commission find that the Projects satisfy the third *Tartan* Factor of ability to finance?
- 4. Should the Commission find that the Projects satisfy the fourth *Tartan* Factor of qualified to construct?
- 5. Should the Commission find that the Projects are in the public interest and satisfies the fifth *Tartan* Factor?
- B. If the Commission grants the CCN for the Projects, what conditions, if any, should the Commission impose on the CCN?
- C. Should the Commission grant Evergy Missouri West's request that its decision to acquire, construct, own and operation the Projects is prudent under Section 2(C) of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.045?
- D. Should the Commission grant Evergy Missouri West's requested variances from Commission Rules 20 CSR 4240-20.045(3)(C), 6(I), and 6(J) so that Evergy Missouri West's plans for restoration of safe and adequate service, as well as as-built drawings, can be provided closer to the time when the Projects will commence commercial operations?

E. Should the Commission authorize Evergy Missouri West to implement construction

accounting pursuant to Section 393.140(4), RSMo?

II. Order of Opening Statements

Evergy Missouri West Midwest Energy Consumers Group Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission Office of the Public Counsel Renew Missouri Sierra Club

III. List and Order of Witnesses

Ron Klote (Evergy Missouri West) John M. Grace (Evergy Missouri West) Katy Onnen (Evergy Missouri West) J Kyle Olson (Evergy Missouri West) Cody VandeVelde (Evergy Missouri West) Jason Humphrey (Evergy Missouri West) Kevin Gunn (Evergy Missouri West) Shawn Lange (Staff) Brodrick Niemeier (Staff) Donald A. Fontana (Staff) Dr. Seoung Joun Won (Staff) Justin Tevie (Staff) Francisco Del Pozo (Staff) Michael L. Stahlman (Staff) David M. Sommerer (Staff) J Luebbert (Staff) Kim Bolin (Staff) Jordan Seaver (OPC) William "Nick" Jones (Renew Missouri) Michael Goggin (Sierra Club)

IV. Order of Cross-Examination

Evergy Missouri West Witnesses

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been transmitted by electronic mail to all parties and/or counsel of record this 21st day of May, 2025.

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