

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office in  
Jefferson City on the 9th day of  
July, 2025.

In the Matter of the Application of Union	)	
Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri	)	<b><u>Case No. ET-2025-0184</u></b>
for Approval of New Modified Tariffs for	)	
Service to Large Load Customers	)	

**ORDER GRANTING EVERGY APPLICATION TO INTERVENE**

Issue Date: July 9, 2025

Effective Date: July 9, 2025

This order grants Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West's (collectively "Evergy") application to intervene.

On May 14, 2025, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri filed an application requesting approval of a Large Load Customer Rate Plan. The Commission set June 12, 2025, as the deadline for any applications to intervene. Evergy filed a timely application to intervene.

The Commission held a procedural conference on June 13, 2025. At that conference the Regulatory Law Judge granted several applications to intervene without objection. However, Ameren Missouri requested additional time to respond to Evergy's application to intervene. Ameren Missouri filed a response in opposition to Evergy's intervention on June 23, 2025. Evergy replied to Ameren Missouri's *Response in Opposition to Application for Intervention of Evergy Missouri West and Evergy Missouri Metro* on June 23, 2025.

## **Application and Responses**

Evergy's application to intervene states that it is also a regulated electric utility similar to Ameren Missouri and Evergy is also seeking approval of tariffs to serve the same type of large load customers that Ameren Missouri's Large Load Customer Rate Plan is targeting.<sup>1</sup> Evergy states that its approach to serving large load customers is different than Ameren Missouri's approach. Evergy asserts that a consistent approach throughout the state for large load customers will maximize economic development opportunities and allow for consistent regulation. Evergy also notes that consistency benefits customers who risk differing rate treatment and cost sharing based on geographic location. Evergy states that its intervention will help provide full transparency to large load customer tariff implications and permit the Commission and parties to evaluate Ameren Missouri and Evergy's differing approaches to large load customer demand.

Ameren Missouri argues that Evergy's application to intervene fails to satisfy the requirements of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.075. Ameren Missouri argues that Evergy does not allege an interest that is different from the general public that may be adversely affected by a final order in this case. Ameren Missouri notes that because no Commission order in this case would be binding on Evergy, it does not have an interest that could be adversely affected.

Evergy's application to intervene did not assert that its intervention would serve the public interest, but its reply to Ameren Missouri asserts that Evergy would serve the public interest by providing a more complete record for the Commission to consider.

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<sup>1</sup> Case No. EO-2025-0154.

## **Relevant Law**

Applications to intervene are governed by Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.075, which states in relevant part:

(2) A motion to intervene or add new member(s) shall include:

(E) A statement of the proposed intervenor's or new member's interest in the case and reasons for seeking intervention or to be added; and

(F) A statement as to whether the proposed intervenor or new member supports or opposes the relief sought or that the proposed intervenor or new member is unsure of the position it will take.

(3) The commission may grant a motion to intervene or add new member(s) if—

(A) The proposed intervenor or new member(s) has an interest which is different from that of the general public and which may be adversely affected by a final order arising from the case; or

(B) Granting the proposed intervention would serve the public interest.

## **Decision**

Allowing parties to intervene in cases is largely discretionary. The necessary parties to a case are generally already parties prior to the establishment of an intervention deadline. A person or entity chooses to intervene in a case generally because they have an interest to promote or an interest to protect.

This case is somewhat different. It is not a coincidence that Ameren Missouri and Evergy both have large load customer rate plan cases pending before the Commission. Missouri Senate Bill No. 4<sup>2</sup> requires that regulated electrical corporations with more than 250,000 customers develop and submit to the Public Service Commission schedules to include in its service tariff applicable to customers who are projected to have above an

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<sup>2</sup> Missouri Senate Bill 4 (MO SB4), effective August 28, 2025.

annual peak demand of 100 megawatts or more. Senate Bill No. 4 does not become effective until August 28, 2025. Ameren Missouri and Evergy are Missouri's two largest regulated electric utilities. Both utilities will be required to develop a 100 megawatt rate schedule under Senate Bill No. 4. However, both Ameren Missouri and Evergy have initiated large load customer plan cases that they otherwise would be required to initiate after August 28, 2025.

There are differences between the two utilities. Ameren Missouri and Evergy operate under different regional transmission organizations, which run the high voltage transmission grid. Despite their differences, both utilities are similarly situated, face similar future requirements, and even may be competing for the same large load customers.

As Evergy noted in its application to intervene, Evergy's approach to addressing some customers under its proposed plan are different. Evergy is requiring that some customers show creditworthiness to demonstrate their commitment to receiving service from the utility.

The resulting large load customer rate plans for Ameren Missouri and Evergy will be different because of differences between the two utilities. However, there are sufficient commonalities and the Commission will benefit from hearing from both utilities facing the new 100 megawatt rate plan requirement in the same proceeding.

Evergy's application to intervene states: "Evergy's request to intervene will help provide full transparency to large load customer tariff implications and permit the Commission and all parties to this docket to fully evaluate both approaches to large load customer demand and, ultimately, issue tariffs that are in the best interest of the state and all customers." The Commission agrees. Not allowing Evergy's intervention could result

in the Commission failing to consider an issue in one case that is present in both cases. The potential detriments of allowing Evergy to intervene in this case are far outweighed by the advantages of receiving input from two large Missouri-regulated utilities both facing this new requirement.

The Commission finds that Evergy's intervention serves the public interest. Therefore, the Commission will grant Evergy's intervention request.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West's application to intervene is granted.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

*Nancy Dippell*

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Secretary

Hahn, Ch., Coleman, Kolkmeier,  
and Mitchell CC., concur.

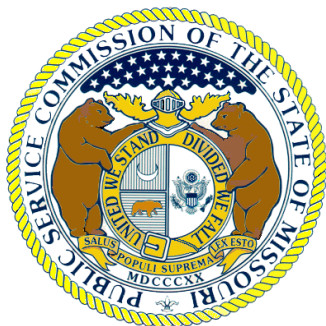
Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge

**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 9<sup>th</sup> day of July 2025.**



*Nancy Dippell*

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**Secretary**

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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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