## BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of the Joint Application of	
Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. and Evergy	) 640
Kansas South, Inc. for Approval of their	) Docket No. 24-EKCE-XXX-ACA
Annual Energy Cost Correction	)
Adjustment Factor	

## **JOINT APPLICATION**

COME NOW Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. and Evergy Kansas South, Inc. (collectively referred to as "Evergy Kansas Central") and file this Joint Application for approval of their Annual Correction Adjustment (ACA) factors under their Retail Energy Cost Adjustment (RECA) clauses. In support of this Joint Application, Evergy Kansas Central states:

- 1. Evergy Kansas Central is a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Kansas and is engaged, among other matters, in the retail electric public utility business, as defined by K.S.A. 66-104, in legally designated areas within the state of Kansas. Evergy Kansas Central holds certificates of convenience and authority issued by this Commission authorizing it to engage in such utility business.
- 2. With this Application, Evergy Kansas Central is submitting its annual ACA filing required by its RECA tariff to be filed on or before March 20 each year, in order to determine the amount of costs recovered under the RECA during the previous calendar year and the amount of costs actually incurred for fuel and wholesale purchased power during that calendar year. As part of this ACA filing, Evergy Kansas Central calculates the amount it either over- or underrecovered during the previous calendar year and that amount the ACA factor is added to or subtracted from the RECA rate beginning April 1 through March 31 of the following year.
- 3. The testimony of Elizabeth A. Herrington and Jessica L. Tucker are attached to this Joint Application. Ms. Herrington explains the calculations and assumptions underlying the

calculation of the total under-recovered amount requested ACA factor. Ms. Tucker addresses Evergy Kansas Central's quarterly RECA submittals, market drivers of the variance between 2023 actual fuel and purchased power costs when compared to 2022 actual costs and the 2023 RECA forecast, Evergy Kansas Central's fuel procurement practices, and the impact of the Southwest Power Pool Integrated Market on Evergy Kansas Central's planning and operations.

- 4. There are two exhibits attached to Ms. Herrington's testimony and incorporated herein by reference. Exhibit A summarizes the actual energy costs incurred and all components of the RECA incurred by Evergy Kansas Central during the ACA period beginning January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023. Exhibit A also shows the over/under recovery of energy costs and the calculation of the ACA factor for the period January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, to be reflected in the Evergy Kansas Central RECA beginning on April 1, 2024. Because there was an under-recovery of costs, Evergy Kansas Central's ACA will be 0.4714 cents/kWh. Exhibit B has the same information contained in Exhibit A by month for the 2023 ACA period.
- 5. Evergy Kansas Central submits that the energy costs recovered through the RECA mechanism for the period January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, were reasonable and complied in all respects with applicable standards established by the Commission in Docket No. 106,850-U (75-GIMC-009-GIG) and Docket No. 05-WSEE-981-RTS.
- 6. Some information contained in the exhibits to Ms. Herrington's testimony have not been publicly disclosed and, if disclosed, could place Evergy Kansas Central at a significant competitive disadvantage in negotiating future fuel contracts. Therefore, a redacted version of Ms. Herrington's exhibits is also enclosed. Accordingly, Evergy Kansas Central requests

Exhibits A and B that are marked confidential be designated and treated as confidential in accordance with applicable Commission and statutory standards and practices.

WHEREFORE, Evergy Kansas Central requests that an ACA factor of 0.4714 cents/kWh for the period April 2024 through March 2025 be approved by the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

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COUNTY OF SHAWNEE	)

## **VERIFICATION**

Cathy Dinges, being duly sworn upon his oath deposes and states that she is the Sr Director and Regulatory Affairs Counsel for Evergy Inc., that she has read and is familiar with the foregoing Application and attests that the statements contained therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Cathryn J. Dinges

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of March, 2023.

**Notary Public** 

My Appointment Expires: May 30, 2026

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