

**BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

CROSS-ANSWERING TESTIMONY OF

JARED R. ROBERTSON

ON BEHALF OF THE KROGER CO.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
EVERGY KANSAS CENTRAL, INC. AND
EVERGY KANSAS SOUTH, INC. FOR APPROVAL TO MAKE
CERTAIN CHANGES IN THEIR CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE
PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 66-117.**

DOCKET NO. 25-EKCE-294-RTS

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1 **Introduction**

2 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

3 A. My name is Jared R. Robertson. My business address is 111 East Broadway,
4 Suite 1200, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84111.

5 **Q. Are you the same Jared Robertson who provided direct testimony on June 6,**
6 **2025, in this case?**

7 A. Yes, I am.

8 **Overview and Conclusions**

9 **Q. What is the purpose of your cross-answering testimony in this proceeding?**

10 A. My testimony responds to Kavita Maini, who filed direct testimony on
11 behalf of Walmart Inc. and CCPS Transportation, LLC.

12 **Q. What recommendations do you present in your cross-answering testimony?**

13 A. I disagree with Witness Maini's conclusion that the MGS rates proposed by
14 EKC are a reasonable reflection of the COSS results.¹ The rate design Witness
15 Maini supports is not a reasonable reflection of the system costs incurred by the
16 MGS customers. I recommend the Commission reject Witness Maini's proposal to
17 use the rate design for MGS presented by EKC, and that EKC should design rates
18 that move towards alignment with costs rather than maintaining the current
19 misalignment.

¹ Direct Testimony Kavita Maini, pg. 18.

MGS Rate Design

Q. How does the Company propose to increase the various components of the MGS rate design?

A. Ms. Maini explains that the Company proposes increasing all components using the same percentage increase.²

Q. Does Ms. Maini support the Company's proposed MGS rate design?

A. Yes. Ms. Maini states that she supports the equal percentage increase to each of the charges because she claims that the proportional shares of the customer, demand, and energy charges are a reasonable reflection of the COSS.³

Q. Does Ms. Maini provide a comparison of the proportional shares of the customer, demand, and energy revenues relative to the underlying cost components?

A. Yes, she does. Table JRR-1 below summarizes the proportional shares of the customer, demand, and energy revenues relative to the underlying cost components provided in Ms. Maini's testimony.⁴ The results are consistent with my comparison of revenues and costs by classification as presented in my direct testimony.⁵

² *Id.*

³ *Id.*

⁴ *Id.*

⁵ Direct Testimony of Jared R. Robertson, p. 6, Table JRR-2.

Table JRR-1R
Proportional Share of the Customer, Demand, And Energy Revenues
Relative to Cost

Classification	Cost of Service % of Total	EKC Proposed % of Total
Customer	0.7%	1.4%
Demand	82.2%	77.7%
Energy	17.2%	20.9%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

Q. Is the rate design that Witness Maini supports a close representation of the cost of service for the MGS customers?

A. No. As can be seen in Table JRR-1R above, the rate design deviates from the COSS for each classification of revenue.

Q. What is your assessment of the MGS rate design?

A. As I explain in my direct testimony, and as is demonstrated in Table JRR-1R above, the proposed MGS rate design is not aligned with the underlying cost components. For the reasons I explain in my direct testimony, I recommend modifications to the MGS rate design that will improve the alignment between rates and the underlying cost while at the same time employing gradualism.

Q. Does this conclude your cross-answering testimony?

A. Yes, it does.

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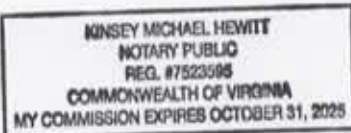
Jared Robertson, being first duly sworn, deposes and states that:

1. He is a Senior Analyst with Energy Strategies. L.L.C., in Salt Lake City, Utah;
2. He is the witness who sponsors the accompanying testimony entitled "Cross Answering Testimony of Jared Robertson;"
3. Said testimony was prepared by him and under his direction and supervision;
4. If inquiries were made as to the facts and schedules in said testimony he would respond as therein set forth; and
5. The aforesaid testimony and schedules are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.


Jared Robertson

Subscribed and sworn to or affirmed before me this 18th day of June, 2025, by Jared Robertson.


Notary Public



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was served by electronic service on this 20th day of June, 2025, to the following:

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