

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

Before Commissioners: Susan K. Duffy, Chair
Dwight D. Keen
Andrew J. French

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy)
Metro, Inc., Evergy Kansas Central, Inc., and)
Evergy Kansas South, Inc. for Adjustment of) Docket No. 21-EKME-050-RTS
Base Rates to Comply with HB No. 2585)

**ORDER ADOPTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE AND
DESIGNATING PRESIDING OFFICER**

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission). Having examined its pleadings and records, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

1. On July 31, 2020, Evergy Metro, Inc., Evergy Kansas Central, Inc., and Evergy Kansas South, Inc. (collectively, “Evergy”), filed an Application for approval of new base rates that reflect the elimination of Kansas state income taxes from Evergy’s revenue requirement in order to comply with HB No. 2585.¹

2. Evergy requests the schedule provided in the Application, which Staff supports.² Having reviewed the Application, the Commission finds a hearing may be necessary, and for that reason the Commission modifies the proposed schedule as follows:

DATE	TIME	ACTION
July 31, 2020	5:00 pm	Evergy Initial Filing
September 18, 2020	5:00 pm	Commission Staff’s Report and Recommendation (R&R)
October 2, 2020	5:00 pm	Intervenors’ Responses to Staff’s R&R
October 16, 2020	5:00 pm	Evergy Response to Staff and Intervenors

¹ See Application of Evergy Metro, Inc., Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. and Evergy Kansas South, Inc. for Adjustment to Base Rates to Comply with HB No. 2585 (Jul. 31, 2020).

² See Application, Attachment A.

October 21, 2020	11:00 am	Prehearing conference, if necessary
October 28, 2020	9:00 am	Evidentiary Hearing, if necessary (1-day hearing)
November 28, 2020		Commission Order (120-day deadline)

3. Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-551(c), the Commission finds that a Presiding Officer should be designated in this proceeding to address any matters listed in K.S.A. 77-517(b).

4. The Presiding Officer for prehearing matters shall be Lauren E. Laushman, Assistant General Counsel, Kansas Corporation Commission, 1500 SW Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas, 66604-4027, telephone number (785) 271-3181, e-mail address l.laushman@kcc.ks.gov.

5. Any electronic service received after 5:00 p.m. on a deadline set forth in a procedural schedule shall be considered as filed on the next day and shall be accompanied by a Motion to File Out of Time.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. The procedural schedule set forth in paragraph 2 of this Order is adopted.

B. Lauren E. Laushman is designated as the Presiding Officer for prehearing matters.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Duffy, Chair; Keen, Commissioner; French, Commissioner

Dated: 08/18/2020



Lynn M. Retz
Executive Director

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following by means of

electronic service on 08/18/2020.

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