THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners: Andrew J. French, Chairperson

Dwight D. Keen Susan K. Duffy

In the Matter of the Complaint Against Evergy)

by Scott Worthey. Docket No. 21-EKME-081-COM

ORDER DESIGNATING NEW PRESIDING OFFICER

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and decision. Having reviewed the pleadings and record, the Commission makes the following findings:

- 1. On August 7, 2020, Scott Worthey (Complainant) submitted a Formal Complaint against Evergy Kansas Metro (Evergy). Complainant alleges Evergy was grossly negligent in the maintenance of their power pole arms, causing a 34.5 kV wire to fall into a 12 kV wire, resulting in a surge into Complainant's home that damaged several household items.¹
- 2. On September 17, 2020, the Commission issued an Order on the formal complaint, wherein the Commission determined the formal complaint met the requirements of K.A.R. 82-1-220(b) and ordered the formal complaint served upon Evergy for an answer.²
 - 3. On October 5, 2020, Evergy filed its motion to dismiss.³
- 4. On January 21, 2021, the Commission designated Phoenix Anshutz as the Presiding Officer in this docket.⁴ Mr. Anshutz is no longer with the Commission.
- 5. The new Presiding Officer in the prehearing matters shall be David G. Cohen, Assistant General Counsel, Kansas Corporation Commission, 1500 SW Arrowhead Road,

³ Evergy Kansas Metro Motion to Dismiss (Oct. 5, 2020).

¹ Formal Complaint Against Evergy Metro, Inc. by Scott Worthey, p. 3 (Aug. 11, 2020).

² Order, pg. 2 (Sep. 17, 2020).

⁴ Order Designating Presiding Officer; Protective and Discovery Order (January 21, 2021).

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THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. David G. Cohen is designated as the new Presiding Officer for prehearing matters.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

French,	Chairperson;	Keen,	Commi	issioner;	Duffy,	Comn	nission	er
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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

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