

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

Before Commissioners: Andrew J. French, Chairperson
Dwight D. Keen
Annie Kuether

In the Matter of the Redline and Clean)
Versions of the Large Economic Development)
Rider for Evergy Kansas Central and Kansas) Docket No. 26-EKCE-025-TAR
Metro in Accordance with Senate Bill 98,)
Effective July 1, 2025.)

SUSPENSION ORDER: MARCH 20, 2026

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (“Commission”). Having examined its files and records, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

I. Background

1. On July 23, 2025, Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. and Evergy Kansas South, Inc. (together as “Evergy Kansas Central”) and Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Kansas Metro, filed with the Commission an application requesting approval of its updated redline and clean versions of the Large Economic Development Rider in accordance with Senate Bill 98, which was originally effective July 1, 2025.¹

II. Suspension Order

2. K.S.A. 66-117(c) states in part:

The commission shall not delay the effective date of the proposed change in rate, joint rate, toll, charge or classification or schedule of charges, or in any rule or regulation or practice pertaining to the service or rates of any such public utility or common carrier, more than 240 days beyond the date the public utility or common carrier filed its application requesting the proposed change. If the commission does not suspend the proposed schedule within 30 days of the date the same is filed by the public utility or common carrier, such proposed

¹ Application of Evergy Kansas Central, Inc., Evergy Kansas South, Inc., and Evergy Metro, Inc. (Jul. 23, 2025) (“Application”).

schedule shall be deemed approved by the commission and shall take effect on the proposed effective date.

3. A full investigation of the Application is deemed necessary and proper. Absent suspension, the Commission and its Staff are without sufficient time to fully review, consider, and analyze whether approval of the Application is just and reasonable.

4. The Commission finds and concludes that suspension of the effectiveness of the Application and deferral of its effective date are required to allow sufficient time for full investigation of this matter. The effectiveness of the application is hereby suspended for a period of 120 days from the date it was filed, July 23, 2025, until Friday, March 20, 2026, pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117(c). A Commission decision may be issued before such date.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. Pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117(c), the Application and the proposed schedule in the above-captioned docket shall be suspended, and the effective date deferred, until March 20, 2026, pending other action by the Commission.

B. Electronic service shall be utilized for serving pleadings/motions and orders.

C. Any party may file and serve a petition for reconsideration pursuant to the requirements and time limits established by K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).²

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

French, Chairperson; Keen, Commissioner; Kuether, Commissioner

Dated: 07/31/2025



Celeste Chaney-Tucker
Executive Director

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² K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-503(c); K.S.A. 77-531(b).

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 07/31/2025.

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