

**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 Application of Evergy    )  
Kansas Central, Inc. and Evergy Kansas South,    )        Docket No. 25-EKCE-294-RTS  
Inc. for Approval to Make Certain Changes in        )  
their Charges for Electric Service.                    )

**ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION TO CARGILL, OCCIDENTAL CHEMICAL  
CORPORATION, AND LAWRENCE PAPER COMPANY**

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 January 31, 2025, Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. and Evergy Kansas South, Inc. (collectively, Evergy Kansas Central or EKC) filed a Joint Application requesting a net increase in its revenue requirement of \$196.4 million, after costs included in the property tax surcharge are netted out.<sup>1</sup> This represents an actual base rate requested change of \$192 million, or 8.64% percent in total retail revenues.<sup>2</sup>

2.        On April 10, 2025, Cargill, Incorporated (Cargill), Occidental Chemical Corporation (Occidental), and Lawrence Paper Company (Lawrence Paper) each filed Petitions to Intervene stating that they are retail ratepayers and direct customers of EKC.<sup>3</sup> Cargill, Occidental, and Lawrence Paper each claim to have a direct financial interest in this Docket as direct customers of EKC.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Evergy Kansas Central's Joint Application, Jan. 31, 2025.

<sup>2</sup> *Id.*, ¶ 2.

<sup>3</sup> Petition to Intervene of Cargill, Apr. 10, 2025, ¶ 2; Petition to Intervene of Occidental, Apr. 10, 2025, ¶ 2; Petition to Intervene of Lawrence Paper, Apr. 10, 2025, ¶ 2.

<sup>4</sup> *Id.*

3. The Commission has broad discretion to grant a petition for intervention if it is in the interest of justice, if the intervention will not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings, and if the party has stated facts demonstrating its legal rights, duties and privileges, immunities or other legal interests may be substantially affected by the proceeding.<sup>5</sup> Furthermore, at any time during a proceeding, the Commission may impose limitations on an intervenor's participation.<sup>6</sup>

4. The Commission finds and concludes that Cargill, Occidental, and Lawrence Paper have met the requirements of K.A.R. 82-1-225 and K.S.A. 77-521 and should be granted intervention in this Docket. Cargill, Occidental, and Lawrence Paper will be added to the mailing list, and electronic service of pleadings, communications, and correspondence should be delivered to counsel of record and intervenors' other designee as follows:

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<sup>5</sup> K.S.A. 77-521; K.A.R. 82-1-225.

<sup>6</sup> K.S.A. 77-521(c).

**THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:**

- A. Cargill's Petition to Intervene is granted.
- B. Occidental's Petition to Intervene is granted.
- C. Lawrence Paper's Petition to Intervene is granted.
- D. This Order is procedural and constitutes non-final agency action.<sup>7</sup>

**BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.**

French, Chairperson; Keen, Commissioner; Kuether, Commissioner

Dated: 04/17/2025



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Celeste Chaney-Tucker  
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<sup>7</sup> K.S.A. 77-607(b)(2).

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