

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

In the Matter of the Application of Evergy)
Kansas Metro, Inc., Evergy Kansas South,) Docket No. 25-EKME-315-TAR
Inc., and Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. for)
Approval of Large Load Service Rate Plan and)
Associated Tariffs)

**STAFF’S RESPONSE TO EVERGY’S PROPOSED
EXPEDITED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

COMES NOW the Staff of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (“Staff” and “Commission,” respectively), and states the following in response to the proposed procedural schedule set forth by Evergy Kansas Metro, Inc., Evergy Kansas South, Inc., and Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. (collectively, “Evergy”) in the above captioned docket:

1. On February 11, 2025, Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Kansas Metro, Evergy Kansas South, Inc., and Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. filed with the Commission an Application requesting approval of its Large Load Power Service (“LLPS”) Rate Plan and associated tariffs.¹ Included as Exhibit A to that Application was a proposed expedited procedural schedule.

2. Staff believes the proposed schedule is more expedited than tenable given several ongoing and anticipated major proceedings this year in the Utilities’ division. Staff requests more time be allowed for the Parties, several of whom have pending petitions for intervention, to attempt to collaborate before the Commission issues a decision on a procedural schedule. Staff’s hope is that the Parties will be able to confer in the coming weeks as interventions are processed and present an agreed-upon schedule, which may include an expedited timeframe depending on Staff, intervener, and Commission availability. Staff will work with the Parties to coordinate such

¹ Application of Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Kansas Metro, Evergy Kansas South, Inc., and Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. (Feb. 11, 2025) (Application).

discussions and will endeavor to provide an update or a recommended procedural schedule to the Commission by March 11, 2025.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests the Commission not rule on a procedural schedule for the above-captioned docket until such time as the Parties have had an opportunity to confer on a proposed schedule and for Staff to submit an update on the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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