

**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 Evergy Kansas Central and)
Evergy Metro Filing Tariff Revisions to) Docket No. 21-EKCE-318-TAR
Limited Large Customer Economic)
Development Discount Rider (LEDR))

SUSPENSION ORDER: OCTOBER 20, 2021

NOW, the above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and decision. Having reviewed its files and records and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following findings:

1. On February 22, 2021, Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. and Evergy Kansas South, Inc. (together as “Evergy Kansas Central”) and Evergy Metro, Inc. (“Evergy Metro”) (collectively, “Evergy”) filed new tariffs to implement a Limited Large Customer Economic Development Discount Rider (Schedule LEDR) to comply with House Bill No. 2585 which was approved by the Kansas Legislature on June 1, 2020.

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

3. A full investigation of the proposed rates and/or terms, which may result in a hearing, is deemed necessary and proper. Absent suspension, Commission Staff is without sufficient time to fully review, consider, and analyze whether the requested rates and/or terms should be approved.

4. The Commission finds and concludes that suspension of any potential effectiveness of the rates and/or terms proposed by Evergy is required to allow sufficient time for full investigation of this matter. The effective date of the rates and/or terms proposed shall be suspended for a period not to exceed 240 days from the date the application was made, February 22, 2021, until October 20, 2021. A Commission decision may be issued before such date.

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:


A. Any decision regarding Evergy's proposed rates and/or terms shall be deferred until October 20, 2021. The Commission may issue a decision before such date.

B. 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).¹

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

French, Chairperson; Keen, Commissioner; Duffy, Commissioner

Dated: 03/02/2021



Lynn M. Retz
Executive Director

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¹K.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 03/02/2021.

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