

**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 Petition of Evergy Kansas)
Central, Inc., Evergy Kansas South, Inc., and)
Evergy Metro, Inc. for Determination of the)
Ratemaking Principles and Treatment that will) Docket No. 25-EKCE-207-PRE
Apply to the Recovery in Rates of the Cost to)
be Incurred for Certain Electric Generation)
Facilities Under K.S.A. 66-1239.)

SUSPENSION ORDER: JULY 7, 2025

The above-captioned matter comes before ¹the 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:

I. Background

1. On November 6, 2024, Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. and Evergy Kansas South, Inc. (together as “Evergy Kansas Central” or “EKC”) and Evergy Metro, Inc., d/b/a Evergy Kansas Metro (“Evergy Kansas Metro” or “EKM”) (EKC and EKM referred to together as “Evergy” or “Company”) filed with the Commission an Application requesting a determination of the ratemaking principles and treatment that will apply to the recovery in rates of the costs to be incurred in constructing and acquiring a stake in two new combined cycle gas-fired generating facilities and one solar facility.

II. Suspension Order

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

¹ Evergy Kansas Central Application (Nov. 6, 2024) (Application).

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 Application, which may result in a hearing, 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 will result in just and reasonable rates.

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 240 days from the date it was filed, November 6, 2024, until July 7, 2025, pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117(c).² 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 July 7, 2025, 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).³

² The 240-day time period ends Saturday/Sunday, July 4, 2025. Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-503(c), the deadline is extended until the end of the next day which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or a legal holiday, which is Monday, July 7, 2025.

³ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-503(c); K.S.A. 77-531(b).

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

French, Chairperson; Keen, Commissioner; Kuether,
Commissioner

Dated: 11/14/2024



Lynn M. Retz
Executive Director

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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 11/14/2024.

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