BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

he Matter of the Application of Evergy)
sas Metro, Inc., Evergy Kansas South, Inc.)
Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. for Approval) Docket No. 22-EKME-254-TAR
ts Demand-Side Management Portfolio)
suant to the Kansas Energy Efficiency)
estment Act ("KEEIA"), K.S.A. 66-1283.)
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JOINT MOTION TO MODIFY PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Evergy Kansas Metro, Inc., Evergy Kansas South, Inc. and Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. ("Evergy"), the Staff of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas ("Commission Staff"), the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board ("CURB"), Climate + Energy Project ("CEP"), Sierra Club and Kansas Appleseed Center for Law and Justice, Inc. ("Sierra Club" and "Kansas Appleseed"), Kansas Gas Service (KGS"), Black Hills/Kansas Gas Utility Company, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy ("Black Hills") (collectively, "Joint Movants"), hereby move the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas ("Commission") for issuance of an Order revising the procedural schedule in this docket as follows:

- 1. On December 17, 2021, pursuant to the Kansas Energy Efficiency Investment Act ("KEEIA"), K.S.A. 66-1283, Evergy filed an application in this matter seeking approval of its proposed Demand-Side Management ("DSM") Portfolio.
- 2. On December 21, 2021, Evergy, Staff and CURB submitted a proposed procedural schedule to the Commission for consideration.
- 3. On January 6, 2022, the Commission issued its Order on Procedural Schedule ("Procedural Order") adopting the schedule proposed by the parties with one modification to the date of the Prehearing Conference.

4. The parties have since conducted technical conferences at which Evergy's proposed DSM programs have been explained and discussed. During these conferences it was determined that it would be beneficial for the parties and the Commission to receive and consider comments from the public regarding the DSM Portfolio proposed by Evergy. To allow for such comments, the Joint Movants are requesting the Procedural Order be modified as set forth below to add a public hearing and the receipt of written public comments on the application and to adjust the dates for the settlement conference, the filing of settlement and the filing of testimony on the settlement to give the parties an opportunity to review public comments prior to beginning the settlement process:

<u>Date</u>	Action
December 17, 2021	Application Filed by Evergy
January 24, 2022	Technical Conferences Start
February 28, 2022	Technical Conferences End
April 8, 2022	Staff/Intervenor Direct Testimony Due
April 15, 2022	Staff/Intervenor Cross-Answering Testimony Due
April 29, 2022	Evergy Rebuttal Testimony Due
May 9, 2022	Public Hearing by Zoom
May 10, 2022	Public Comment Period Ends
May 12, 2022	PACP Office Files Final Report of Public Comments

May 1 <u>6</u> 0 , 2022	Settlement Conference
May <u>20</u> 16, 2022	Deadline to Submit Settlement Agreement
May 2 <u>6</u> 0, 2022	Testimony in Support/Opposition to Settlement Agreement
May 26, 2022	Discovery Cut-off
May 27, 2022	Prehearing Conference
June 7 - 9, 2022	Evidentiary Hearing
June 23, 2022	Evergy Initial Brief Due
July 6, 2022	Staff/Intervenor Responsive Brief Due
July 15, 2022	Evergy Reply Brief Due
August 15, 2022	Commission Order (240 th day falls on Sunday, August 14, 2022)

5. Joint Movants agree that Evergy will provide notice of the public hearing and comment period through a bill message sent to customers in the Evergy Kansas Metro and Evergy Kansas Central service territories. The bill message will explain the application, the opportunity for the public to submit comments regarding Evergy's proposed programs and provide information on the process for testifying at the public hearing. Evergy will work with the Commission's Director of Public Affairs and Consumer Protection ("PACP") to develop the content of the message.

WHEREFORE, Joint Movants respectfully request the Commission grant this Joint Motion and modify the Procedural Order as set forth above.

Respectfully submitted,

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I, Glenda Cafer, verify under penalty of perjury that I have caused the foregoing pleading to be prepared; that I have read and reviewed the same; and that the contents thereof are true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief.

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