

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING & COMMENT PERIOD CONCERNING EVERGY RATE REQUEST

Evergy has filed an Application with the Kansas Corporation Commission (Commission) requesting a \$196.4 million (8.62%) rate increase for Evergy Kansas Central (EKC) customers. If approved, prices would become effective in September 2025. EKC residential customers would have an average monthly increase of \$13.05.

Evergy's Application requests updated prices to include nearly \$1 billion investment in infrastructure that serves customers, adjustments for overall cost of capital and increased operating expenses. Evergy's request does not include costs related to the Panasonic Electric Vehicle battery plant or the two natural gas plants that Evergy has announced it plans to build in Kansas. Evergy has also proposed the Evergy Stay Connected Pilot program that would offer monthly credits and help income eligible Kansas residents remain current on their account.

EKC serves about 735,000 customers in Topeka, Lawrence, Olathe, Leavenworth, Atchison, Manhattan, Salina, Hutchinson, Emporia, Parsons, Wichita, Arkansas City, El Dorado, Newton, Fort Scott, Pittsburg and Independence, among other towns and rural areas. This request does not include Evergy Kansas Metro, which serves customers in Lenexa, Overland Park and other communities near the Kansas City metro area.

REGULATORY RESPONSIBILITY

The Commission regulates public utilities, including home telephone, natural gas, electric and water companies, as well as motor carriers, oil and gas pipelines, and oil and gas producers. The Commission's regulatory oversight of public utilities primarily pertains to rates and terms of service. To ensure that customers of regulated utilities are provided sufficient and efficient service at just and reasonable rates, utilities may not change their rates without Commission approval.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Commission has scheduled a public hearing to provide Evergy Kansas customers an opportunity to learn more about the proposed rates, as well as ask questions and make comments about the proposal. The public hearing is scheduled for:

All hearings will begin at 6 p.m. Central

Wednesday, June 11
Wichita State University
Hughes Metropolitan Complex
5014 E 29th St. North
Wichita, KS 67220

Monday, June 16
Washburn Institute of Technology
5724 SW Huntoon St.
Topeka, Kansas 66604

Attendees may participate in person or virtually via Zoom. Anyone opting to participate virtually using Zoom must register at <https://kcc.ks.gov/your-opinion-matters> by noon the day before the hearing. The hearing will be broadcast live on the agency's [YouTube channel](#) for those unable to attend. Any person

requiring special accommodations at the hearing site under The Americans with Disabilities Act must notify the Commission at least 10 days prior to the scheduled public hearing by calling 800-662-0027.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Commission will accept comments regarding the proposed rate changes through July 14, 2025, at 5 p.m. Central. There are three convenient ways to submit a comment:

1. Go to the Commission's website (www.kcc.ks.gov) and click on the "Your Opinion Matters" link to enter your comment.
2. Send a written letter to the Kansas Corporation Commission, Office of Public Affairs and Consumer Protection, 1500 SW Arrowhead Road, Topeka, KS 66604-4027. Be sure to reference Docket No. 25-EKCE-294-RTS.
3. Call the Commission's Office of Public Affairs and Consumer Protection at 800-662-0027.

EVERGY'S PROPOSAL

OTHER INFORMATION

An evidentiary hearing on Evergy's request is scheduled to begin July 21, 2025, at 9 a.m. Central, at the Commission's Offices, 1500 SW Arrowhead Rd., Topeka, KS 66604-4027.

A complete copy of Evergy's Application and supporting testimony is available on the Commission's website at: www.kcc.ks.gov, by searching Docket Filings for Docket No. 25-EKCE-294-RTS. If you need additional assistance regarding the proposed rate increase or submission of public comments to the Commission, contact the Commission's Office of Public Affairs and Consumer Protection at 800-662-0027, or at public.affairs@kcc.ks.gov.