

Evergy Joins Midwest Utilities in Multi-State Electric Vehicle Charging Network

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (Sept. 22, 2020) – In conjunction with National Clean Energy Week, Evergy announced today that it is partnering with Midwestern utilities to develop a multi-state electric vehicle charging network by 2022.

To accomplish this, Evergy has entered a memorandum of cooperation with five other regional utilities: Ameren Missouri, Ameren Illinois, DTE Energy (Michigan), Consumers Energy (Michigan) and Oklahoma Gas and Energy. More power companies are considering joining this commitment.

Though individual programs are subject to regulatory approval, this partnership will create a network of charging stations to meet the ever-growing demand of consumers.

“Electric vehicles are readily available for consumers today and choices for EVs are growing with more than 130 models planned to be on the market by 2022,” said Chuck Caisley, Evergy’s Chief Customer Officer. “As power companies, we’re working together to ensure that we make it convenient and easy for EV drivers to charge their vehicles no matter where they are throughout the Midwest.”

According to Edison Electric Institute (EEI), more than 1.2 million electric vehicles are on U.S. roads today. EEI forecasts this number to grow to 18.7 million by 2030. Evergy’s Clean Charge Network (CCN) includes more than 2,000 charging ports in public locations. All of Evergy’s charging stations are powered 100% by renewables from renewable energy certificates.

The network supports more than 7,000 electric vehicle drivers in our service area – a 500% increase from when the CCN launched in 2015.

Through Evergy’s [Sustainability Transformation Plan](#), the company is committed to its transition to a clean energy provider. Evergy has committed to cutting its carbon dioxide emissions by 80% by 2050 compared to 2005 levels, with aims of achieving that mark far sooner.

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About Evergy, Inc.

Evergy, Inc. (NYSE: EVRG) serves approximately 1.6 million customers in Kansas and Missouri. We were formed in 2018 when long-term local energy providers KCP&L and Westar Energy merged. We generate nearly half the power we provide to homes and businesses with emission-free sources. We support our local communities where we live, work, and strive to meet the needs of customers through energy savings and innovative solutions.

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