

# EEI Announces Evergy as Emergency Response Award National Recipient

*Evergy Honored for Memorial Day Storm Response and Hurricane Helene Assistance*

Kansas City, MO - January 14, 2025 – Evergy was announced as an Edison Electric Institute (EEI) Emergency Response Award recipient. Presented to EEI member companies twice a year, the Emergency Response Awards recognize recovery and assistance efforts of electric companies following service disruptions caused by extreme weather or other natural events. The winners were chosen by a panel of judges following an international nomination process.

“Throughout 2024, America’s electric companies and their dedicated workforce answered the call to help restore power and hope to communities impacted by extreme weather events and natural disasters,” said EEI interim President and CEO Pat Vincent-Collawn. “EEI commends Evergy for its efforts to respond safely and efficiently to the aftermath of a severe storm that caused power outages and additional damage over Memorial Day weekend in Kansas and Missouri. We also applaud Evergy for aiding neighboring electric companies in their times of need. Evergy and its storm response team are extremely deserving of these well-earned emergency recovery and assistance awards.”

Evergy is being honored with two awards, both highlighting the utility’s strength when responding to major storms. The first recognizes Evergy’s quick response to storms over 2024 Memorial Day weekend that uprooted large trees and caused outages for 140,000 customers across Kansas and Missouri. The second award recognizes Evergy’s assistance efforts in the aftermath of Hurricane Helene. More than 120 Evergy line workers and an additional 200 contractors traveled across the country to help rebuild the power grid and restore power in Kentucky and Indiana.

“In 2024 alone, Evergy crews dealt with several historic severe weather events that included hurricane-strength winds, thunder and lightning, and dangerous heat in our region. Despite those challenges, our crews worked 24/7 to repair the damage, rebuild the system and restore power to our customers safely and quickly,” said Ryan Mulvany, Evergy’s Vice President of Distribution. “When we had the opportunity to answer the call to help communities in some of the hardest hit areas after Helene, Evergy responded quickly and mobilized a team to travel across the country. Our crews worked for more than a week, even rappelling down mountains at one point, to help get the power back on for customers in Kentucky and Indiana. Evergy is proud to accept this award, but we are even prouder to serve our customers in Kansas and Missouri, and to respond to the call to help others.”

## **About Evergy, Inc.**

Evergy, Inc. (NASDAQ: EVRG), serves 1.7 million customers in Kansas and Missouri. Evergy’s mission is to empower a better future. Our focus remains on producing, transmitting and delivering reliable, affordable, and sustainable energy for the benefit of our stakeholders. Today, about half of Evergy’s power comes from carbon-free sources, creating more reliable energy with less impact to the environment. We value innovation and adaptability to give our customers better ways to manage their energy use, to create a safe, diverse and inclusive workplace for our employees, and to add value for our investors. Headquartered in Kansas City, our employees are active members of the communities we serve.

## **About EEI**

EEI is the association that represents all U.S. investor-owned electric companies. Our members provide electricity for nearly 250 million Americans, and operate in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. The electric power industry supports more than 7 million jobs in communities across the United States. In addition to our U.S. members, EEI has more than 70 international electric companies, with operations in more than 90 countries, as International Members, and hundreds of industry suppliers and related organizations as Associate Members.

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