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United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDG)

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, adopted by all United Nations Member States in 2015, provides a shared plan for peace and prosperity for people and planet, now and into the future. This plan defines 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) that outline strategic areas of focus for tackling climate change while working to improve quality of life and protect our natural resources. While all 17 SDGs are important, Evergy has focused on mapping priority topics to the 10 SDGs most relevant to our business. As Evergy's own climate change response continues to adapt and change locally, it is important to link our own priority sustainability topics to these United Nations SDGs to steward our natural resources locally with an eye towards global impact. The creation of these priority topics and subsequent mapping to the SDGs helps inform Evergy's long-term strategy of affordability, reliability, and sustainability.

UNSDG Goal		Evergy Priorities
5 GENDER EQUALITY	Gender equality is not only a fundamental human right, but a necessary foundation for a peaceful, prosperous, and sustainable world.	Developing a workforce that is diverse, equitable, and inclusive is critical as Evergy strives to be an employer of choice in our industry.
6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION	Clean, accessible water for all is an essential part of the world we want to live in.	Evergy is committed to protecting our natural resources, including efficient water use and returning clean water to our environment.
7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY	Energy is central to nearly every major challenge and opportunity.	With a low-carbon future in our sights, Evergy realizes there are implications and opportunities that arise as we transition to clean, reliable, and affordable energy sources. Evergy is prepared to meet the demands of our customers and stakeholders by offering programs that equitably distribute decarbonization costs and benefits across our service territory to ensure that recent technologies and programs have been designed, developed, and deployed with all our customers' needs in mind.
8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH	Sustainable economic growth will require societies to create the conditions that allow people to have quality jobs.	As a leading and trusted energy partner, Evergy seeks to attract new customers and find solutions to help existing customers expand their businesses, providing excellent jobs in our service territory.

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9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE	Investments in infrastructure are crucial to achieving sustainable development.	We continue to invest in our system, with the largest portion focused on our transmission and distribution network. The program is focused on replacing aging equipment and modernizing the grid, driving benefits for customers by improving reliability, enhancing resiliency and the ability to withstand extreme weather, and increasing security.
10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES	To reduce inequalities, policies should be universal in principle, paying attention to the needs of disadvantaged and marginalized populations.	Diversity adds depth to our company and makes us stronger. At Evergy, it's our obligation to make sure we are aware of the way our actions, consciously or unconsciously, impact our stakeholders and our company culture. We strive to foster diversity, equity and inclusion across our company.
11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES	There needs to be a future in which cities provide opportunities for all, with access to basic services, energy, housing, transportation and more.	Evergy is committed to empowering a better future for our customers and communities. Making a positive impact in the communities we call home is a foundational component of our business.
12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION	Responsible production and consumption.	Nearly half the power produced by Evergy comes from emission-free sources. Evergy is focused on reducing waste and protecting our natural resources.
13 CLIMATE	Climate change is a global challenge that affects everyone, everywhere.	We promote sustainability by integrating climate- related risks and opportunities into our business strategies.
15 LIFE ON LAND	Sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, halt and reverse land degradation, halt biodiversity loss.	Evergy's long history of environmental conservation has helped our communities by supporting conservation projects and organizations in our service territory and beyond. Additionally, the protection measures for both flora and fauna that have been implemented protect our environment, benefiting generations to come.