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**Evergy to Use AssetLens™ Software to Manage
Distribution Assets, Plan Projects**

Software Will Help Midwest Utility Improve System Reliability

KANSAS CITY, Missouri — Evergy will use [AssetLens](#), an asset investment planning software developed by [1898 & Co.](#), part of Burns & McDonnell, to assess the condition and criticality of its electrical distribution system assets and plan capital projects.

“We have enjoyed a great relationship with [Evergy](#) over the years and they continue to be a valuable business partner for 1898 & Co.,” says [Chris Underwood](#), 1898 & Co. vice president. “Evergy’s purchase of AssetLens is an important step in their journey toward becoming a digital utility, with potential to transform how they manage and prioritize investment in their increasingly complex electrical distribution system.”

AssetLens collects and cleanses data about the condition of a company’s critical assets, applies proprietary algorithms, and automates an investment plan of capital projects with business justification. This allows the company to make proactive, data-driven decisions that provide the most value to its customers.

Evergy piloted the software in early 2020, and upon seeing its value purchased a software license for its entire distribution system. 1898 & Co. will also execute implementation and configuration as well as ongoing support, hosting and maintenance. Project scoping and timing updates will allow Evergy to maintain up-to-date information on its assets and projects to drive ongoing value from AssetLens year after year.

“Our pilot of AssetLens confirmed its ability to deliver a turnkey, data-driven evaluation of our distribution assets and provide an optimized investment plan at the project level,” says Ryan Mulvany, Evergy senior director of operations analytics and support. “AssetLens will play a critical role in improving reliability and resiliency for our customers as part of our Sustainability Transformation Plan.”

In addition to utilities like Evergy, AssetLens is a platform for other asset-intensive industries including [food and beverage](#) and [manufacturing](#).

“AssetLens has proven to be a beneficial solution to our clients across multiple industries throughout our valued client base,” Underwood says. “We look forward to AssetLens playing a key role in the ongoing success of Evergy.”

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