

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Aquila, Inc., to Implement)	
a General Rate Increase for Retail Electric)	<u>Case No. ER-2007-0004</u>
Service Provided to Customers in its Aquila)	Tariff No. YE-2007-0001
Networks-L&P Missouri Service Areas.)	

NOTICE OF INFORMAL DISCOVERY CONFERENCE

Issue Date: March 21, 2007

On March 19, 2007, counsel for Aquila, Inc., advised the regulatory law judge assigned to this case that there was a discovery dispute between Aquila and AG Processing, Inc., and Sedalia Industrial Energy Users' Association ("Collectively AGP/SIEUA") concerning various data request responses. Since Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.090(2) requires the presiding judge to arrange for a telephone conference between counsel for Aquila and AGP/SIEUA prior to considering any discovery motion, the presiding judge scheduled that informal conference. To avoid the possible dissemination of exparte information to the presiding judge during that conference, Judge Harold Stearley will preside over the conference.

AGP/SIEUA contend that the information in question is highly confidential. Since a phone conference could not adequately protect the information's potential confidentiality, the informal discovery conference will be conducted live and in camera.

Because the evidentiary hearing in this case is scheduled to begin in approximately 10 days, this discovery dispute must be addressed as expeditiously as possible. A discovery conference will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 21, 2007, in

Room 305 at the Commission's offices in the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, a building that meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person needing additional accommodations to participate in this discovery conference should call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the conference.

The purpose of the conference will be to: 1) discuss AGP/SIEUA's objections to Aquila's data requests ILASIE-0007 and 0008, and 2) to request an in camera review of the redacted portions of AGP/SIEUA's response to data request ILASIE-0003.

If AGP/SIEUA are unwilling or unable to participate in the discovery conference, the Commission will consider a request to waive the requirements of 4 CSR 240-2.090(8). Such a waiver, if granted, would allow Aquila to immediately file any discovery motion or motions it deems appropriate.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 21st day of March, 2007.

Voss, Regulatory Law Judge