OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Aquila Network – MPS and L&P)
Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) Filing) Case No. GR-2006-0297

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: December 20, 2007 Effective Date: December 20, 2007

On January 12, 2006, Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks – MPS and L&P filed a tariff sheet to change its Purchased Gas Adjustment factors. The Empire District Gas Company has since purchased Aquila's gas operations.

The Staff of the Commission filed its Recommendation and accompanying Memorandum on December 17, 2007. Staff asks the Commission to order Empire to adjust the balances in its 2005/2006 ACA filing to reflect the ending (over)/under recovery balances for the ACA, TOP, TC and Refund accounts per the table within the Staff Recommendation, to respond to the comments and concerns listed in the Reliability Analysis and Gas Supply Planning section of the memorandum and to respond to Staff's recommendations.

The Commission will not order Empire adjust the balances as requested by Staff until Empire has an opportunity to respond to the Recommendation. The Commission will, however, order Empire to respond within 30 days, as Staff requested.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

The Empire District Gas Company shall respond to the Recommendation and
 Memorandum filed by the Staff of the Commission no later than January 18, 2008.

2. That this order shall become effective on December 20, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Ronald D. Pridgin, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 20th day of December, 2007.