BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION 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

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") and for its Recommendation in this case states:

1. On April 12, 2006, Aquila Networks–MPS and Aquila Networks-L&P (Aquila or Company) of Kansas City, Missouri, filed tariff sheets proposed to become effective April 27, 2006. The tariff sheets were filed to reflect an optional change in Aquila's Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors as the result of an estimated change in the cost of natural gas for the upcoming summer season.

2. Please see Staff's Memorandum attached hereto.

3. Staff is of the opinion that good cause for approval of this tariff sheet on less than thirty (30) days notice is demonstrated by the fact that this represents a decrease in current PGA rates and the fact that the Commission approved Aquila's tariff filing allows for ten (10) business days notice for PGA changes.

4. Staff recommends, however, that the tariff sheets be approved interim, subject to refund only pending final Commission decision in this case.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends that the Commission approve Aquila's tariff filing interim subject to refund and permit it to become effective on less than thirty (30) days notice.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, emailed, sent by facsimile or hand-delivered to all counsel of record this 13th day of April 2006.

<u>/s/ Lera L. Shemwell</u>