

**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 January 12, 2006, Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks – MPS and L&P of Kansas City, Missouri, filed a tariff sheet proposed to become effective January 30, 2006. The tariff sheets were filed to reflect an optional change in Aquila’s Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors to decrease the PGA rates for all of its territories as a result of the change in the cost of natural gas.

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 days notice is demonstrated by the fact that the Commission approved MPS and L&P’s tariff that allows for ten (10) business days notice for PGA change filings and the fact that the cost of natural gas to consumers is decreasing.

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

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends that the Commission approve the tariff filing interim subject to refund.

Respectfully submitted,

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