

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the matter of Aquila, Inc. d/b/a Aquila Networks—)	
L&P, for authority to file tariffs changing the steam)	
Quarterly Cost Adjustment for service provided to)	<u>Case No. HR-2008-0340</u>
customers in the Aquila Networks—L&P service)	<u>Tariff No. JH-2008-0619</u>
territory.)	

STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TARIFF SHEET

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and, for its recommendation to approve tariff sheet, respectfully states:

1. In the attached Memorandum (Appendix A) the Staff recommends the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) approve the tariff sheet Aquila filed on April 15, 2008, to become effective June 1, 2008. Aquila filed the tariff sheet to make a quarterly cost adjustment required as part of the Stipulation and Agreement approved by the Commission in Case No. HR-2005-0450. That Stipulation and Agreement includes a “fuel rider” that requires quarterly rate adjustments, with not more frequent than annual true-ups.

2. Staff has reviewed the tariff sheet and, based on Aquila’s accompanying workpapers, is of the opinion that the quarterly cost adjustment for the 2008 First Quarter (Q1) has been calculated in accordance with the provisions of the Quarterly Cost Adjustment Rider tariff sheet and complies with the Commission’s Order in HR-2005-0450.

3. The Staff recommends the Commission issue an order approving the proposed tariff sheet to be effective June 1, 2008, or allow the sheet to go into effect by operation of law.

WHEREFORE, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission recommends the Commission either approve to become effective June 1, 2008 or allow to go into effect by operation of law on June 1, 2008, the Tariff Sheet Aquila, Inc. d/b/a Aquila Networks—L&P filed on April 15, 2008, to wit:

P.S.C. MO. No. 1

8th Revised Sheet No. 6.5 Canceling 7th Revised Sheet No. 6.5

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 13th day of May 2008.

/s/ Sarah Kliethermes

MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File
Case No. HR-2008-0340, Tariff Tracking No. JH-2008-0619
Aquila, Inc. d/b/a Aquila Networks – L&P

FROM: James Watkins, Manager, Economic Analysis
Mack McDuffey, Rate & Tariff Examiner II

James Watkins / May 13, 2008
Energy Department / Date

Sarah Kliethermes / May 13, 2008
General Counsel's Office / Date

SUBJECT: Staff Recommendation For **Approval** Of Tariff Sheet To Add The Quarterly Cost Adjustment For 2008 First Quarter To Its Quarterly Cost Adjustment Rider

DATE: May 13, 2008

On April 15, 2008, Aquila, Inc. d/b/a Aquila Networks – L&P (Aquila or Company) of Kansas City, Missouri, filed with the Commission one (1) tariff sheet with an issue date of April 15, 2008, and a proposed effective date of June 1, 2008, to add the quarterly cost adjustment for the first quarter of 2008 as required by Company's Quarterly Cost Adjustment Rider, which the Commission approved in Case No. HR-2005-0450.

The Commission assigned Case No. HR-2007-0028 for the filings during the initial audit period (Q206 – Q406) and any subsequent prudence review and true-up of the revenues collected during that audit period. The Commission assigned Case No. HR-2007-0399 for the second audit period (Q107 – Q407). The Commission assigned Case No. HR-2008-0340 for the third audit period (Q108 – Q408). Aquila's filing included workpapers consisting of four worksheets showing its calculation of the quarterly cost adjustment for the first quarter of 2008.

The Commission's Energy Department Staff (Staff) has reviewed the proposed tariff sheet, and based on the Company's workpapers Staff is of the opinion that the quarterly cost adjustment for the first quarter of 2008 (Q108) has been calculated in accordance with the provisions of the Quarterly Cost Adjustment Rider. Staff therefore recommends that the Commission approve the following proposed tariff sheet, as filed on April 15, 2008, to become effective on June 1, 2008, as requested by Aquila, or permit the tariff sheet to go into effect by operation-of-law:

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The Staff has verified that this Company is not delinquent on any assessment or the filing of its 2007 annual report. The Staff is not aware of any other matter pending before the Commission that affects or is affected by this tariff filing.

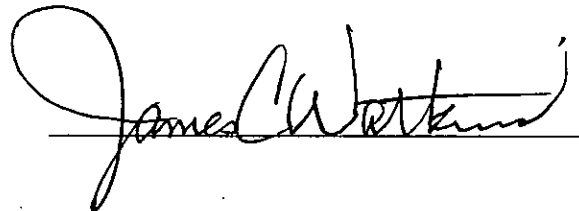
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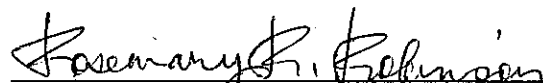
AFFIDAVIT OF JAMES C. WATKINS

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss
COUNTY OF COLE)

James C. Watkins, of lawful age, on oath states: that he has participated in the preparation of the foregoing Staff Recommendation; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such recommendation; and that such matters are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of May, 2008.


Notary Public

My commission expires 9-23-2008

