

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

In the Matter of the Tariff Filing of Aquila, Inc., to)
Implement a General Rate Increase for Retail)
Steam Heat Service Provided to Customers in its)
L&P Missouri Service Area.)

Case No. HR-2005-0450

STAFF'S NOTICE REGARDING PRELIMINARY RECONCILIATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and states:

1. In its July 21, 2005 *ORDER CONCERNING TEST YEAR AND TRUE-UP, AND ADOPTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE*, as proposed jointly by a number of the parties including the Staff, the Commission ordered Staff to circulate to the other parties, a preliminary reconciliation by October 20, 2005.

2. Due to the press of other matters, the Staff did not have prepared by October 20, 2005, a preliminary reconciliation in this case. The Staff did circulate to the parties in Case No. ER-2005-0436 a preliminary reconciliation on October 20, 2005 as ordered by the Commission. The Staff will circulate to the other parties a preliminary reconciliation in this case on Monday, October 24, 2005.

WHEREFORE the Staff submits the foregoing to notify the Commission of when it will circulate a preliminary reconciliation to the parties in this case.

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 21st day of October 2005.

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