BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of Aquila Networks -MPS & L&P's Purchased Gas Adjustment Factors to be reviewed in its 2004 - 2005 Actual Cost Adjustment.

Case No. GR-2005-0271

STAFF'S STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Public Service Commission of Missouri, and for its status report states:

1. The Commission ordered Staff to file a status report in this case not later than September 1, 2005. Staff, through inadvertence, failed to timely file that report. The Commission, on September 6, 2005, again ordered Staff to file its status report.

2. This case began with Aquila filing new PGA rates, interim, subject to refund, on February 14, 2005. The final rate filing in this case will not occur until late October or early November, 2005, when Aquila will file its proposed ACA adjustment and rates, as well as its initial PGA rates for the upcoming heating season. The 2005 – 2006 PGA/ACA case will be initiated by Aquila's subsequent PGA filing.

3. When Staff makes its recommendation on those PGA rates, it will indicate to the Commission and the other parties when it expects to complete its ACA audit for the 2004 - 2005 ACA period. Staff will base that determination on the workload and resources needed to address other new and pending ACA audits and time for Aquila to respond to Staff Data Requests. Staff

apologizes for any inconvenience it has caused the Commission or the other parties by its failure to timely file this status report.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully asks the Commission to accept this status report.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to all counsel of record this 14th day of September, 2005.

/s/ Thomas R. Schwarz, Jr.