

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

In The Matter of the Application of Aquila,)
Inc. for Approval of its Experimental)
Regulatory Plan and for a Certificate of)
Convenience and Necessity Authorizing)
it to Participate in the Construction, Ownership,)
Operation, Maintenance, Removal,)
Replacement, Control and Management of)
a Steam Electric Generating Station in)
Platte County, Missouri, or alternatively for an)
Order specifically confirming that Aquila, Inc.)
has the requisite authority Under its)
Existing Certificate(s).)

Case No. EO-2005-0293

MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

Comes now Aquila, Inc. ("Aquila" or "Company"), by counsel, pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.085, and requests the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") to issue its customary Protective Order to govern the exchange of information as between parties to the captioned-proceeding. In support thereof, Aquila states as follows:

1. On March 2, 2005, Aquila caused to be filed its Application with the Commission in the captioned-matter.
2. Certain appendices to the Application contain Highly Confidential information pertaining to proposed capital investments, the Company's hedging program and the Company's financial model.
3. This case may also involve, among other things, an examination of Aquila's business plans, internal cost/benefit analysis and resource plans and objectives. Public disclosure of such information could be competitively sensitive and adverse to Aquila's business interests. For example, sensitive business

information concerning Aquila's power supply options and needs which, if made generally and publicly available, would severely hamper and impair the Company's ability to meet its capacity needs at the lowest possible cost.

4. More generally, the Commission's Protective Order in this case will facilitate the timely exchange of information relevant to the issues presented by Aquila's Application.

WHEREFORE, for good cause shown, Aquila requests that the Commission issue its customary Protective Order and for such further orders and relief as are appropriate in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,


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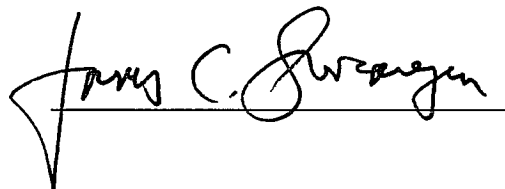
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was delivered by first class mail or by hand delivery, on this 2nd day of March, 2005 to the following:

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James C. Swearingen", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial 'J' and a long, horizontal stroke extending to the right.