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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge  
Missouri Public Service Commission  
P.O. Box 360  
Jefferson City, MO 65102

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Missouri Public  
Service Commission

**Re: Aquila, Inc.**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

On behalf of Aquila, Inc. ("Aquila"), I deliver herewith for filing with the Missouri Public Service Commission three (3) sets of certain tariff sheets consisting of revised industrial steam rate schedules which are designed to increase Aquila's Light and Power ("L&P") gross annual steam revenues by approximately \$1,341,986, exclusive of applicable franchise and occupational taxes. The rate schedules bear a date of issue of July 3, 2003, an effective date of August 4, 2003.

The primary element of the proposed rate increase is the higher costs for fuel needed to produce steam.

Enclosed you will also find a letter from Dennis R. Williams, Aquila's Vice President - Regulatory Services, which sets forth a list of the rate schedules being filed and explains the purpose of the filing. Also included with Mr. Williams' letter is an original and eight (8) sets of the information required by 4 CSR 240-3.030.

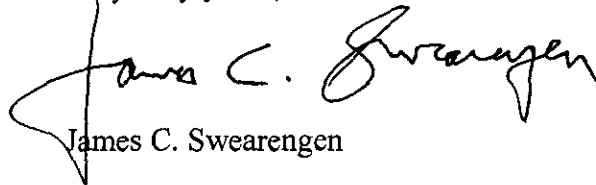
Also enclosed for filing, in accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.065(1), please find an original and eight (8) copies of the direct testimony and schedules of the Aquila witnesses who are listed in Mr. Williams' letter. Included are depreciation studies for the L&P steam plant and Aquila corporate plant.

Two copies of this entire filing will be provided this date to the Commission's General Counsel and to the Office of the Public Counsel.

Would you please bring this filing to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel and see that a copy of all correspondence, notices, orders and other communications in connection with this matter and proceeding are furnished to Mr. Williams as well as to the undersigned counsel.

Thank you very much for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James C. Swearengen". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

James C. Swearengen

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Enclosures

cc: Missouri Public Service Commission General Counsel  
Office of the Public Counsel  
Dennis R. Williams