

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

In the Matter of The Empire District)	
Gas Company's Purchased Gas)	Case No. GR-2006-0297
Adjustment Tariff Filing)	

APPLICATION OF AQUILA, INC. TO INTERVENE

COMES NOW, Aquila, Inc. ("Aquila"), pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.075, and for its application to intervene in the above-captioned matter states to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) as follows:

I. APPLICANT

1. Aquila is a Delaware corporation with its principal office located at 20 West 9th, Kansas City, MO 64105. Aquila is authorized to conduct business in Missouri and is engaged in providing electric utility service in Missouri in those areas certificated to it by the Commission. A certified copy of Aquila's Amended Certificate of Authority to do business in this state as a foreign corporation was filed with the Commission in Case No. EU-2002-1053 and is incorporated herein by reference in accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(G).

II. BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF THIS CASE

2. On January 12, 2006, Aquila filed the revised tariff sheets reflecting a change in the Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) that gave rise to this case.

3. On April 18, 2006, the Commission approved the sale, transfer, and assignment of the assets and liabilities involved in Aquila's gas distribution operations in Missouri to The Empire District Gas Company (EDG) in Case No. GO-2006-0205.

4. On November 3, 2006, in the above-captioned case, EDG filed its tariffs reflecting a change in the PGA and Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) and reconciliations for refund factors.

III. INTERVENTION

5. Aquila initiated this case with its January 12, 2006 PGA filing, but EDG subsequently purchased Aquila's Missouri gas operations and became the named party in the Commission's filing systems and captioned orders/pleadings.

6. Aquila continues to have financial interests in and information related to this case, and, therefore desires to continue to participate in this case.

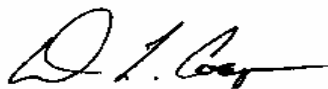
7. Aquila's interest in this case is different from that of the general public and may be adversely impacted by a final order arising from this case. Thus, Aquila's interest cannot be represented adequately by any other party to this proceeding.

8. Aquila's continued participation in this proceeding will not disrupt the proceeding or adversely affect any party's interest

WHEREFORE, Aquila respectfully requests that the Commission grant this

Application to Intervene and grant such other relief as is appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this 31st day of January, 2006, served the foregoing Application of Aquila, Inc. to Intervene either by electronic means, or by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid addressed to all parties by their attorneys of record as provided by the Secretary of Commission as shown.

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