

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

In The Matter of the Application of Aquila,)
Inc. for Permission and Approval and a)
Certificate of Public Convenience and)
Necessity Authorizing it to Acquire,)
Construct, Install, Own, Operate,)
Maintain, and otherwise Control and)
Manage Electrical Distribution Substation)
and Related Facilities in St. Clair County,)
Missouri (Near the City of Osceola).)
)

Case No. EA-2006-0500

MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT

COMES NOW Aquila, Inc., (hereinafter "Aquila" or "Company"), pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080 (16), and for its Motion for Expedited Treatment of the captioned case, states the following:

1. On June 23, 2006, Aquila filed an Application for a certificate of convenience and necessity ("Certificate") to construct, install, own, operate, maintain and otherwise control and manage an electric transmission power substation in unincorporated St. Clair County, near the City of Osceola, Missouri (the "Osceola Substation"). For the reasons set forth below, Aquila is requesting that the Commission issue an order approving Aquila's Application by August 4, 2006, bearing an effective date of no later than August 15, 2006.

2. This motion was filed as quickly as possible after the filing of Aquila's Application.

3. Aquila's budgeting, engineering and construction timelines for the Osceola Substation have been developed to provide a just-in-time in-service date based on the existing system requirements, and do not include margins for

substantial project delays. The Osceola Substation is targeted for a first-quarter 2007 in-service date, which reflects normal and cost effective material acquisition and construction procedures. The critical need for the Osceola Substation is fully set forth in Aquila's application, and arises from the immediate and real possibility of a catastrophic system casualty. Any unscheduled delay would likely impact project completion, and therefore, defer the in-service date. Delaying project completion into the historically higher-usage spring and summer months would significantly increase the risk of harm to the area's electric consumers and jeopardize the public convenience and necessity. Even if the in-service date could still be achieved following an unforecast delay, it would necessarily require an increase to the total project cost.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons aforesaid, Aquila requests the Commission issue an order granting expedited treatment of its Application in this case and that it issue an order granting the Certificate requested by August 4, 2006, bearing an effective date of no later than August 15, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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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, electronic mail or hand delivery, on the 27th day of June, 2006, to the following:

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