

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

Robert Burdette Corporation	)	
	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	
	)	Case No. EC-2008-0039
Aquila, Inc.	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

**AQUILA, INC.'S RESPONSE TO COMMISSION ORDER DIRECTING  
COMPLAINANT TO RESPOND TO REQUEST FOR MEDIATION**

Aquila, Inc., ("Respondent") hereby submits its Response to the Missouri Public Service Commission's (Commission) Order Directing Complainant to Respond to Request for Mediation entered on October 2, 2007, in the above referenced case.

1. On August 9, 2007, Robert Burdette Corporation (Complainant) filed a complaint with the Commission against Aquila, Inc.
2. On September 12, 2007, the Commission issued a Notice of Complaint directing Respondent to answer or voluntarily submit to mediation.
3. Respondent timely filed its Request for Mediation on October 1, 2007.
4. On October 2, 2007, the Commission filed an order directing Robert Burdette Corporation to respond to the request for mediation.
5. In response to that Order, Respondent requests that the Commission take administrative notice of the Complainant's Complaint in which it made a demand for mediation. See Complainant's Complaint at paragraph 3. Respondent believes that Complainant's request for mediation as contained within its Complaint is sufficient to

satisfy the Commission's order directiing Complainant to respond to Respondent's request for mediation and to indicate its willingness to enter into mediation.

6. On or about October 5, 2007, Respondent was contacted by a member of the Commission's Staff indicating that Complainant maintains its demand for mediation as outlined in its Complaint. In addition, Complainant consented to the filing of this response.

WHEREFORE, as set forth above, Aquila, Inc. respectfully requests that the Commission find that all of the prerequisites to participate in mediation have been satisfied and order the parties to participate in mediation.

Dated: October 9, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was served via U.S. first-class mail on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2007, on the following parties of record:

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