OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

The Office of the Public Counsel,)
Complainant,)
V.) Case No. EC-2006-0171
Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks – MPS and Aquila Networks – L&P,)))
Respondent.)

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: November 17, 2005 Effective Date: November 17, 2005

On October 14, 2005, the Office of the Public Counsel filed a complaint against Aquila, Inc. The complaint claimed that Aquila had not properly funded its "other post-retirement employee benefits," or "OPEBs."

Aquila filed its Answer and Notice of Satisfaction on November 15. In that pleading, Aquila claims, among other things, that it will contribute the proper amount of money for the OPEBs by the end of 2005. Aquila, therefore, claims that it has satisfied the complaint, and that the Commission should dismiss it.

The Commission will order the Staff of the Commission and the Office of the Public Counsel to respond to Aquila's motion.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- That the Staff of the Commission and the Office of the Public Counsel shall respond to the Answer and Notice of Satisfaction of Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks – MPS and Aquila Networks – L&P, no later than December 2, 2005.
 - 2. That this order shall become effective on November 17, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Ronald D. Pridgin, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority under Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 17th day of November, 2005.