BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of Aquila,)	
Inc. d/b/a KCP&L Greater Missouri)	
Operations Company for Approval)	Case No. ER-2009-0090
to Make Certain Changes to its Charges)	
for Electric Service.)	

DOGWOOD ENERGY, LLC'S POSITION STATEMENT

COMES NOW Dogwood Energy, LLC ("Dogwood") and for its Position Statement states to the Commission:

- 1. Dogwood does not take a position on every issue in this case. Further, at this time there are competing statements of the issues. For simplicity Dogwood has set forth below both versions of the issues on which it takes a position and then sets forth its Position Statement in a single summary statement.
- 2. Additionally the parties were not able to fully resolve all issues concerning witness availability. As indicated in the filing made by Staff, Dogwood witness Janssen is not available to testify on May 12th, which is the date selected regarding the issues set forth herein, and needs to appear on May 14th. Dogwood would appreciate the Commission accommodating this scheduling conflict.
 - 3. Dogwood's Position Statement is as follows:

Revenue Requirement

Rate Base

(Staff's version)

5. Prudence of MPS Generating Capacity Additions (MPS only):

- a. Was the decision of MPS to wait to add the approximately 300 MW of capacity GMO is obtaining from Crossroads prudent?
- b. For purposes of setting rates for MPS, should the revenue requirement for the approximately 300 MW of capacity GMO is obtaining from Crossroads be based on the depreciated net book value of Crossroads on MPS's books and included in MPS's rate base?
- c. For purposes of setting rates for MPS, should the revenue requirement for the approximately 300 MW of capacity GMO is obtaining from Crossroads be based on the present cost of two additional 105 MW combustion turbines installed in 2005 at a GMO site that would permit the building of six such combustion turbines (rate base) plus a short-term 100 MW purchased power agreement (expense) because GMO was imprudent by not acquiring the capacity of those two additional combustion turbines in 2005?
- d. For purposes of setting rates for MPS, should the revenue requirement for the approximately 300 MW of capacity GMO is obtaining from Crossroads be based on the present cost of Crossroads based on the cost to GMO of acquiring Crossroads as a regulated site in 2005 because GMO was imprudent by not owning that capacity in 2005? If the revenue requirement for the approximately 300 MW of capacity GMO is obtaining from Crossroads is included in rate base at the 2007 depreciated net book value of Crossroads, should the accumulated deferred taxes associated with Crossroads be used as an offset to rate base?
- e. Was transfer on GMO's books of Crossroads from non-regulated operations to the regulated operations of MPS at cost permitted by the Commission's Affiliated Transaction Rule without a variance from the Commission?
- f. If a value of Crossroads is included in rate base, should the transmission expense to get the energy from Crossroads to MPS's territory be included in expenses? If so, should the Commission reflect any transmission cost savings to the Company resulting in its future participation in SPP as a network service customer related to the Crossroads plant?
- g. Would GMO be prudent to delay building additional combustion turbine capacity in order to utilize the power and asset sales offers by Dogwood in response to GMO's RFPs?

(Company's version)

4. <u>Crossroads (MPS only):</u>

- a. Should Crossroads be included in rate base at depreciated net book value in this proceeding?
- b. What is the appropriate valuation of Crossroads?
- c. If Crossroads is included in rate base, should the accumulated deferred taxes associated with Crossroads be used as an offset to rate base?
- d. Was a variance from the Commission's Affiliated Transaction Rule required to move Crossroads into GMO's rate base?
- e. Should the Commission reflect any transmission cost savings to the Company resulting in its future participation in SPP as a network service customer related to the Crossroads plant?

5. <u>South Harper/Phantom Turbines/Other Alternatives to Crossroads (MPS only):</u>

- a. Should the GMO cost of service include the 2007 test year costs of the existing 3 combustion turbines at South Harper, the hypothetical costs for 2 additional non-existing combustion turbines at South Harper, and the capacity costs of a generic 100 MW Purchase Power Agreement to simulate capacity planning decisions that Staff believes should have been made by Aquila in 2005?
- b. Should the existing 3 combustion turbines at South Harper be included in GMO's cost of service, as advocated by GMO?
- c. Should the Commission utilize the power and asset sales offers by Dogwood in response to KCPL GMO's RFPs instead of adopting Staff's phantom turbine proposal?

Dogwood's Position Statement

The Commission should not allow the Company to include the Crossroads

generation facility in ratebase and operating expenses. In lieu of hypothetical

alternatives, the Commission should use the real power and asset sales offers made

by Dogwood in response to Company RFPs to determine the appropriate ratebase

and expense amounts for this aspect of the Company's power generation portfolio,

so that rates are based on the use of an existing generating plant located in the

Company's Missouri service area that is more economical and more reliable than

the distant Crossroads facility in Mississippi. (See Janssen Rebuttal, Rose

Surrebuttal).

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