

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE 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)	Case No. EA-2006-0309
Manage Electrical Production and)	
Related Facilities in Unincorporated)	
Areas of Cass County, Missouri Near the)	
Town of Peculiar.)	

REQUEST FOR LEAVE TO BE EXCUSED.

COMES NOW Southwest Power Pool and hereby requests leave to be excused from the hearing to be held on April 5, 2006:

1. On March 23, 2006, the Commission set a hearing date and time to hear the StopAquila.org's and Cass County, Missouri's motions to dismiss in the above referenced case. More specifically, the Commission set the hearing to be held on April 5, 2006, at 8:30 a.m., in Room 310 of the Commission's offices at the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri.
2. Southwest Power Pool ("SPP") has not filed a response to either motion and represents that it has no position on either motion to dismiss at this time. As a result, Southwest Power Pool requests leave to be excused.
3. SPP does not hereby waive its rights to otherwise participate in this case or present evidence on the substance of the matter before the Commission.

Wherefore, for the reasons given, SPP requests leave to not appear and to be excused.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the above was e-mailed, on the **31st** day of March, 2006, to the following:

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