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

In the Matter of the Application of	)	
Aquila, Inc. d/b/a Aquila	)	
Networks - MPS and Aquila	)	
Networks - L&P's for Authority to	)	Case No. EO-2008-0046
Transfer Operational Control of	)	
Certain Transmission Assets	)	
to Join the Midwest Independent	)	
Transmission System Operator, Inc.	)	

## SOUTHWEST POWER POOL, INC.'S RESPONSE TO COMMISSION ORDER DIRECTING PARTIES TO RESPOND

Comes now Southwest Power Pool, Inc. ("SPP") and, in response to the Commission's Order Directing Parties to Respond, states as follows:

- 1. On November 30, 2007, as agreed to by the parties and ordered by the Commission, the parties filed rebuttal testimony in this case.
- 2. On December 28, 2007, Midwest ISO filed the supplemental rebuttal testimony of its witness Mr. Pfeifenberger subject to Midwest ISO's Motion for Leave to File Supplemental Rebuttal Testimony.
- 3. On January 7, 2008, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") filed its Staff Response to MISO's Motion for Leave to File Supplemental Rebuttal Testimony and Staff Motion to Modify Procedural Schedule ("Staff Response") and Dogwood Energy, LLC ("Dogwood") filed its Opposition to Midwest ISO's Motion for Leave to File Supplemental Rebuttal. Staff proposed a new procedural schedule delaying certain filing dates by four weeks and other filing dates by five weeks and delaying the hearing dates by six weeks. It also proposed to shorten the time for responding to discovery requests to five business days to object and ten calendar days to

respond. Dogwood, while objecting to the filing, proposed that a telephonic prehearing conference be called to develop a new procedural schedule for the remainder of the schedule if the Commission permits the filing.

- 4. On January 9, 2008, the Commission issued its Order Directing Parties to Respond, requiring each party to file a pleading indicating whether or not they support the proposed modifications to the currently approved procedural schedule contained in the Staff Response.
- 5. As for SPP, Staff's proposed modification regarding filing dates and the hearing date are generally acceptable.
- 6. SPP does not support shortening the response time for discovery requests, however, inasmuch as good cause has not been shown to shorten the timeline for discovery request responses. Rather, SPP would support an additional delay in the procedural schedule to facilitate Staff's response, if Staff deems such additional delay necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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