

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

In the Matter of the Request of Aquila, Inc., d/b/a)
Aquila Networks-L&P and Aquila Networks-MPS, to)
Implement a General Rate Increase in Electric Rates.) Case No. ER-2004-0034

JOINTLY PROPOSED HEARING CALENDAR

COME NOW Aquila, Inc.; the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission; the Office of the Public Counsel; the Sedalia Industrial Energy Users' Association and AG Processing, Inc.; the City of Kansas City, Missouri; the Missouri Department of Natural Resources; and, the United States Department of Defense and other Executive Agencies, and, for their Jointly Proposed Hearing Calendar, state to the Missouri Public Service Commission as follows:

ORDER OF ISSUES AND WITNESSES SPECIFICALLY SCHEDULED

To accommodate the schedules of particular witnesses, the following issues/witnesses will be specifically scheduled at the identified times, and those issues listed below as Miscellaneous Issues will be taken up as time is available interspersed in the specifically scheduled issues.

Commencing Monday, March 1, 2004, 9:00 a.m.

- Marking of exhibits, if needed
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- Amortization of Accounting Authority Orders
 Staff (Trisha D. Miller) (Aquila cross, Commission questions, recross and redirect)
 OPC (Ted Robertson)
- Staff witness Michael Proctor on the Aries issue
- Public Counsel witness James Dittmer on the issues of Corporate Restructuring (Labor and Non-Labor). 20th West Ninth Street Building and severance

- Manufactured Gas Plant Remediation Costs
Company (Denny Williams)
OPC (Ted Robertson)

- Jurisdictional Allocations - Odessa
Company (Denny Williams, Bev Agut)
Staff (Alan Bax, Phillip K. Williams)

Tuesday, March 2, 2004, 8:30 a.m.

- Weatherization Programs, Energy Efficiency Programs & Wind Energy Assessment
Company (Matthew Daunis)
City of Kansas City (Robert T. Jackson)
Missouri DNR (Anita C. Randolph)

Wednesday, March 3, 2004, 8:30 a.m.

- Aries Purchased Power Agreement
Company (Max Sherman, Frank DeBacker, Lisa Starkebaum, Jon Empson)
Staff (Mark L. Oligschlaeger, Cary G. Featherstone, Michael S. Proctor) (Proctor taken on March 1, 2004 as accommodation)

Thursday, March 4, 2004, 8:30 a.m.

- Depreciation/Cost of Removal
Company (Davis Rooney, Ron White)
Staff (Cary G. Featherstone, Rosella L. Schad)

Friday, March 5, 2004, 8:30 a.m.

- Fuel (taken March 5, 2004 as accommodation to certain witnesses)
 - Natural Gas price used in determining rates
 - Gas Cap
 - Purchased Power EnergyCompany (Lisa Starkebaum, Jerry Boehm, John Browning, Joseph O'Donnell, James Okenfuss, Jon Empson, Tim Nelson)
Staff (David W. Elliott, Leon C. Bender, Graham A. Vesely, V. William Harris, Kwang Y. Choe)
OPC (James A. Busch)
SIEU/AGP/FEA (Robert R. Stephens, Maurice Brubaker)
- Interim Energy Charge (What price of fuel and purchased power for native load should be included in permanent rates? Should the Commission adopt an interim rate mechanism for fuel and purchased power as a means of addressing the price volatility of those items? If so, what interim rate mechanism should the Commission adopt?)

Staff (Cary G. Featherstone, Graham Vesely, Janice Pyatte, David Elliott, James Watkins)
OPC (James A. Busch)
SIEU/AGP/FEA (Maurice Brubaker)

Thursday, March 11, 2004, 8:30 a.m. (and Monday March 15, 2004, if needed)

· Rate of Return/Capital Structure
Company (Don Murry, Susan Abbott, John Reed)
Staff (David Murray)

MISCELLANEOUS ISSUES:

Otherwise the following order of issues and witnesses will guide these proceedings as available hearing time permits in the following order:

· Accounting Record-Keeping
Company (Bev Agut)
OPC (Ted Robertson)

· Service Quality & Reliability
Company (Brett Carter)
Staff (Lisa A. Kremer, James L. Ketter)

· Customer Growth Adjustments (rate codes 710, 711 and large customers)
Company (Eric Watkins)
Staff (Amanda McMellen, Hong Hu)

· Interest on Accounts Receivable-CWC
Company (Richard Clayburn, Denny Williams)
Staff (Lesley R. Preston)

· Bad Debt Expense (Uncollectibles)
Company (Randall Erickson, Denny Williams)
Staff (Amanda C. McMellen)

· Property Taxes
Company (Denny Williams, Stephanie Murphy)
Staff (Trisha Miller)

· Pension - FAS 87
Company (Davis Rooney)
Staff (Steve Traxler)

- Corporate Restructuring (Labor and Non-Labor)
 Company (Jon Empson, Ronald Klote, Bev Agut)
 Staff (Charles R. Hyneman)
 OPC (James Dittmer) (taken March 1, 2004 as accommodation)
- 20th West Ninth Street Building
 Company (Jon Empson)
 OPC (James Dittmer) (taken March 1, 2004 as accommodation)
- Customer Charges (collection charge, special meter reading charge and late payment charge)
 Company (Matt Tracy)
 Staff (William L. McDuffey)
 OPC (James A. Busch)
- Comparison of Missouri Regulated Electric Company Rates (moved from Monday, February 23, 2004)
 Staff (Phillip K. Williams)
- Severance
 Company (Ronald Klote)
 Staff (Charles R. Hyneman)
 OPC (James Dittmer) (taken March 1, 2004 as accommodation)
- Payroll
 - Incentive Pay
 - Union Increase
 Company (Ronald Klote, Jon Empson)
 Staff (Dana E. Eaves)
- SL Tax Depreciation
 Company (Davis Rooney)
 Staff (Steve Traxler)
- Uncontested Issues, if needed.
 Staff (Richard J. Campbell, Dennis L. Patterson) (Normal Weather, Days Adjustment to kWh Sales, and Weather Normalization of kWh Sales)

Order of Cross-Examination:

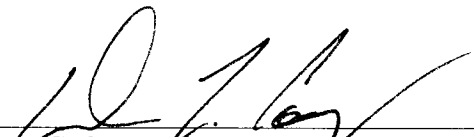
For Aquila witnesses, cross will be by City of Kansas City, Missouri; Missouri Department of Natural Resources; SIEU; AG Processing Inc.; FEA; Public Counsel; then Staff.

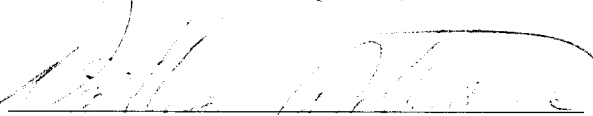
For Staff witnesses, cross will be by City of Kansas City, Missouri; Missouri Department of Natural Resources; SIEU; AG Processing; FEA; Public Counsel; then Aquila.


For Public Counsel witnesses, cross will be by Missouri Department of Natural Resources; City of Kansas City, Missouri; SIEU; AG Processing; FEA; Staff; then Aquila.


For SIEU, AG Processing and FEA witnesses, cross will be by Missouri Department of Natural Resources; City of Kansas City, Missouri; Public Counsel; Staff; then Aquila.

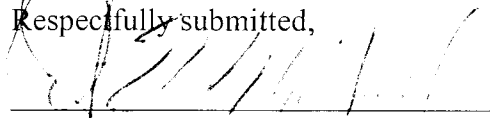
For Missouri Department of Natural Resources witnesses, cross will be by City of Kansas City, Missouri; Public Counsel; FEA; SIEU; AG Processing; Staff; then Aquila.


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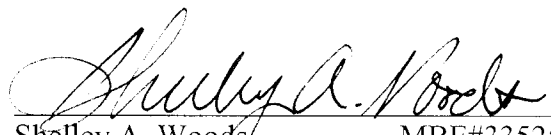

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was sent by electronic mail on this 27th day of February, 2004, to the parties of record.

