

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

In the Matter of an Examination of Class)
Cost of Service and Rate Design in the)
Missouri Jurisdictional Electric Service)
Operations of Aquila, Inc., Formerly)
Known as UtiliCorp United Inc.)

Case No. EO-2002-384

STAFF'S RESPONSE TO COMMISSION ORDER

COMES now the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its Response to the Commission's September 16, 2005 Order Directing Filing states:

1. In its September 16, 2005 Order Directing Filing the Commission ordered "the parties shall respond to the proposal for local public hearings stated above [two local public hearings the week of October 17, 2005 one in the evening in St. Joseph and one in the evening in Raytown] on or before Wednesday, September 21, 2005."

2. The Staff is amenable to the times and locations of the public hearings proposed by the Commission; however, to effect more meaningful notice to the public of the potential ramifications of this case, the Staff suggests the Commission order that the notice of the hearings include a summary of the potential rate impacts on customer classes that would follow from each of the positions prefiled in direct testimony in this case on September 19, 2005 if the Commission were to implement them. To that end the Staff has created the following table and populated it with the potential rate impacts resulting from the Staff's positions as a percentage change in current rates:

Rate Class:	Residential (RES)	Small General Service (SGS)	Large General Service (LGS)	Large Power Service (LPS)	Thermal Energy Storage Pilot Program, Special Contract (TES, SC)	Lighting
Aquila, Inc.						
Staff	Maximum Increase of 2.78%	Maximum Decrease of 6.28%	Maximum Decrease of 6.28%	Maximum Increase of 2.78%	Maximum Increase of 2.78%	No Change
OPC						
AGP, FEA & SIEUA						

WHEREFORE, the Staff suggests the foregoing in response to the Commission's September 16, 2005 Order Directing Filing.

Respectfully submitted,

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