

# **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 ) **Case No. EO-2002-384**  
Service Operations of Aquila, Inc., formerly known as )  
UtiliCorp United Inc. )

## **ORDER DIRECTING FILING**

Issue Date: August 30, 2005

Effective Date: August 30, 2005

On August 23, 2005, the Commission issued its Order Regarding Consolidation and Procedural Schedule herein. That order stated, in pertinent part:

6. That Aquila, Inc., is directed to make all necessary arrangements for Local Public Hearings in Case No. ER-2005-0436 to be held in Raytown, Missouri, and St. Joseph, Missouri, between November 17, 2005, and November 23, 2005, inclusive, preferably on Monday, Wednesday or Friday of that week. Aquila shall file a report of the arrangements in Case No. ER-2005-0436 when they are complete.

In further explanation, the Commission states that there shall be two Local Public Hearings, one each in Raytown and St. Joseph. Each of the hearings shall be held in the evening and each hearing shall be preceded by an informal question-and-answer session, not to exceed 30 minutes in length, during which members of the public may address questions to members of the Commission's Staff. The formal portion of each hearing shall commence at 6:00 p.m. and shall continue until every person present has had an opportunity to speak, but in no event later than 9:00 p.m. Thus, the venue must be available between 5:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m., at least. If there is no sound system available at the venue, Aquila must so notify the Commission Staff. A court reporter must be present

to record the formal portion of each hearing; the bill should be directed to the Commission (attention: Lonnell Boyce).

The site of each hearing must be capable of videoteleconferencing. Aquila shall confer with Daniel Smith of the Commission's Staff in determining whether or not a proposed site is acceptable.

Aquila is hereby advised that the Commission considers it essential that notice of these hearings be given to every affected ratepayer by bill insert.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That Aquila, Inc., shall file a status report on Friday, September 2, 2005, showing the progress made in making all necessary arrangements for Local Public Hearings as discussed above.
2. That this order shall become effective on August 30, 2005.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief  
Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation  
of authority pursuant to  
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 30th day of August, 2005.