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)	
Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to)	
Acquire, Construct, Install, Own, Operate,)	Case No. EA-2006-0309
Control, Manage and Maintain and otherwise)	Case No. EA-2000-0309
Control and Manage Electrical Production and)	
Related Facilities in Unincorporated Areas of)	
Cass County, Missouri Near the Town of)	
Peculiar.)	

STAFF'S NOTICE OF FILING OF PUBLIC VERSION OF STAFF WITNESS MANTLE'S REBUTTAL TESTIMONY

COMES NOW the Staff and Notifies the Commission and the Parties to the case that it is filing a public version of the Rebuttal testimony of Staff witness Lena Mantle. This public version is the same as the Highly Confidential version of Ms. Mantle's Rebuttal testimony that was filed on April 4, 2006, and subsequently marked Exhibit 17, except that no part of this version is marked "highly confidential" and this version is accessible to the public in its entirety through the Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System (EFIS). While the public did not have access to this information until this time, the Parties to the case have had access to the information since the testimony was filed. During the hearing, Ms. Mantle determined that the information that was marked as Highly Confidential could be made public. At the hearing Staff notified the Commission and the Parties to the case that this public version would be filed so that the public would be able to access the entirety of Ms. Mantle's rebuttal testimony through EFIS. Although this document is textually identical to Exhibit 17, and all attachments to Exhibit 17 are attached hereto, the Staff anticipates this version will be given a new Exhibit number.

WHEREFORE Staff requests that the Commission accept this public version of Staff witness Lena Mantle's rebuttal testimony as an exhibit in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or emailed to all counsel of record this 11th day of May 2006.

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