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RE: Aquila, Inc. d/b/a Aquila Networks - MPS and Aquila Networks - L&P Case No. EO-2003-0566

Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter are the original and eight (8) copies of the Status Report of Aquila, Inc. d/b/a Aquila Networks - MPS and Aquila Networks - L&). A copy of the foregoing Status Report has been hand-delivered or mailed this date to all parties of record.

Thank you for your attention tot his matter.

Sincerely,

BRYDON & EARENGEN & ENGLAND P.C. Dean L. Cooper

By:

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In the Matter of Aquila, Inc. d/b/a Aquila Networks - MPS and Aquila Networks - L&P's Application to Join the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.

Case No. EO-2003-0566

STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks - MPS and Aquila Networks - L&P ("Aquila" or "Company") and states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"):

1. This case was initiated by Aquila's filing of an application for the Commission's approval to join the Midwest Independent Transmission System, Inc. ("MISO"). On October 14, 2003, the Commission issued an Order Granting Continuance in this case wherein it granted a Motion for Continuance filed by Aquila and directed that the parties file a status report on October 30, 2003.

2. The basis of Aquila's Motion for Continuance was the uncertainty surrounding both Commission Case No. EO-2003-0271, Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE's ("AmerenUE") application to join the MISO through Grid America, and events at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"). In particular the referenced AmerenUE case is extremely important to Aquila as AmerenUE's participation in the MISO is necessary for Aquila to connect to the MISO.

3. The uncertainty associated with the AmerenUE case and the FERC matters continues to exist (these matters are being discussed in greater detail in Case No. EO-2003-0271). Accordingly, Aquila requests that the Commission allow the current continuance to remain in place and direct the parties to file another status report in forty-five (45) days.

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4. Representatives of each of the other parties have indicated to the undersigned that they have no objection to this status report.

WHEREFORE, Aquila respectfully requests the Commission allow the current continuance to remain in place and direct the parties to file another status report in forty-five (45) days.

Respectfully submitted,

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