

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

In the Matter of the Tariff Filing of Aquila,)
Inc., to Implement a General Rate Increase for)
Retail Electric Service Provided to Customers)
in its MPS and L&P Missouri Service Areas.)

Case No. ER-2007-0004

**OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC COUNSEL'S MOTION TO
LATE FILE PREHEARING BRIEF**

The Office of the Public Counsel respectfully asks the Commission to grant Public Counsel leave to late file its prehearing brief one day out of time. Counsel was engaged in the AmerenUE rate case hearing and in discussions with the parties in this instant case which delayed preparation of the prehearing brief. The brief was filed as soon as practically possible. The delay was not designed to cause undue delay to the proceedings or to burden any party. The delay will not prejudice or harm any party.

Respectfully submitted,

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