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**Maurice Brubaker**

On behalf of

**Federal Executive Agencies  
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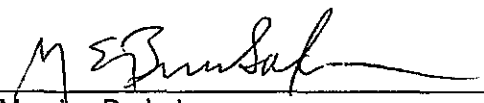
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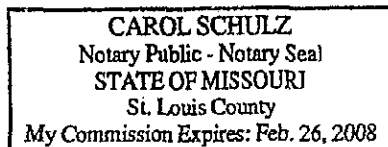
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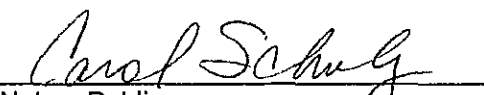
Maurice Brubaker, being first duly sworn, on his oath states:

1. My name is Maurice Brubaker. I am a consultant with Brubaker & Associates, Inc., having its principal place of business at 1215 Fern Ridge Parkway, Suite 208, St. Louis, Missouri 63141-2000. We have been retained by the Federal Executive Agencies, the Sedalia Industrial Energy Users' Association and the St. Joe Industrial Group in this proceeding on their behalf.
2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes is my surrebuttal testimony and schedules which were prepared in written form for introduction into evidence in Missouri Public Service Commission Case No. ER-2005-0436.
3. I hereby swear and affirm that the testimony and schedules are true and correct and that they show the matters and things they purport to show.

  
Maurice Brubaker

Subscribed and sworn to before this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December 2005.



  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires February 26, 2008.

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**Surrebuttal Testimony of Maurice Brubaker**

1    **Q     PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.**

2    **A     Maurice Brubaker. My business address is 1215 Fern Ridge Parkway, Suite 208,**  
3       **St. Louis, Missouri 63141-2000.**

4    **Q     ARE YOU THE SAME MAURICE BRUBAKER THAT HAS PREVIOUSLY FILED**  
5       **TESTIMONY IN THIS PROCEEDING?**

6    **A     Yes. I have previously filed direct testimony on revenue requirement issues, direct**  
7       **testimony on cost of service and rate design issues and rebuttal testimony on cost of**  
8       **service and rate design issues.**

9    **Q     WHAT IS THE SUBJECT OF YOUR SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY?**

10   **A     This surrebuttal testimony provides an update to the class revenue allocation and rate**  
11       **design material included in my cost of service and rate design direct testimony,**  
12       **provides a response to the rebuttal testimony offered by Staff witness James Watkins**  
13       **and OPC witness Barbara Meisenheimer with respect to class revenue allocation,**  
14       **and provides an update of fuel prices as well as a response to the fuel cost recovery**  
15       **mechanism testimony of Staff witness Cary Featherstone and Aquila witness Dennis**  
16       **Williams.**

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1    **Summary**

2    **Q     PLEASE     SUMMARIZE     YOUR     SURREBUTTAL     TESTIMONY     AND**  
3       **RECOMMENDATIONS.**

4    **A     My testimony and recommendations may be summarized as follows:**

5           1. The first section of my testimony provides an update of that portion of my direct  
6           testimony on cost of service and rate design that discussed how any increase  
7           granted in this case should be allocated among customer classes. The update is  
8           occasioned by the revisions and updates contained in Staff witness Jan Pyatte's  
9           rebuttal testimony. I have not changed any methodology, but simply have  
10          updated the numbers to conform to Staff's latest sales and revenues. To avoid  
11          having parties go back and read my direct testimony in connection with  
12          surrebuttal schedules, I have essentially repeated the essential features of that  
13          discussion in this surrebuttal testimony.

14          2. I provide a response to Staff witness James Watkins who addressed only a  
15          portion of the interclass revenue allocation recommendation contained in my  
16          direct testimony, and point out the incompleteness of his response.

17          3. I respond to OPC witness Barbara Meisenheimer with respect to revenue  
18          allocation. I note that she, like Mr. Watkins, talked only about a portion of my  
19          recommendation.

20          With respect to fuel cost recovery levels and recovery mechanisms, my testimony is  
21          the following:

22           a. I continue to support the development of an interim energy charge (IEC).

23           b. I provide an update of NYMEX gas futures' prices.

24           c. I provide an analysis of the "basis differential" between NYMEX prices and the  
25           market area prices where Aquila typically acquires physical quantities of gas.

26           d. I analyze Aquila's hedge program, reporting on the quantities and prices of its  
27           NYMEX fixed for floating swaps and also its call option contracts.

28           e. I provide a rebuttal to Mr. Williams' proposals for base and IEC levels for natural  
29           gas and purchased power, and recommend alternative levels for inclusion in an  
30           IEC.

31           f. I also refute Mr. Williams' proposal to defer all costs above the IEC level for future  
32           cost recovery.

1    **Update of Class Revenue Allocation**

2    Q    IN YOUR DIRECT TESTIMONY, DID YOU PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS AND  
3           AN ILLUSTRATION OF THE ALLOCATION OF ANY REVENUE INCREASE  
4           AMONG CUSTOMER CLASSES?

5    A    Yes. That was contained in my direct testimony on cost of service and rate design  
6           that was filed on October 28, 2005. As part of that testimony, I included Schedules 1,  
7           2 and 3 which were based upon class revenues and kilowatthour sales as presented  
8           by Staff witness Janice Pyatte in her direct testimony.

9    Q    HAS MS. PYATTE UPDATED AND REVISED CLASS REVENUES AND  
10          KILOWATTHOUR SALES?

11   A    Yes. In her rebuttal testimony, she presents certain revisions and updates to this  
12          information.

13   Q    HAVE YOU PREPARED ADDITIONAL SCHEDULES BASED ON MS. PYATTE'S  
14          REVISED AND UPDATED CLASS REVENUES AND KILOWATTHOUR SALES  
15          INFORMATION?

16   A    Yes. Schedules 1SR, 2SR and 3SR are attached to this surrebuttal testimony and  
17          provide an update of the illustration of my recommended interclass revenue allocation  
18          based on Ms. Pyatte's revised and updated class information.

19   Q    ARE THERE ANY OTHER CHANGES TO THESE ILLUSTRATIONS AND  
20          RECOMMENDATIONS?

21   A    No, there are not.

1    **Q     FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE PARTIES, WOULD YOU NOW EXPLAIN HOW**  
2           **ANY REVENUE INCREASE GRANTED IN THIS CASE SHOULD BE REFLECTED**  
3           **IN CLASS REVENUES, USING THIS UPDATED AND REVISED INFORMATION?**

4    **A     The revenue increase granted should be applied as an equal percentage increase to**  
5           **the revenues of all customer classes, after the interclass revenue shifts from Case**  
6           **No. EO-2002-384 have been reflected.**

7    **Q     WHY DO YOU RECOMMEND ALLOCATING THE INCREASE IN THIS FASHION?**

8    **A     An across-the-board or equal percent increase preserves the rate relationships that**  
9           **exists after implementing the interclass revenue shifts that are derived from**  
10          **consideration of class cost of service studies in Case No. EO-2002-384. In the**  
11          **absence of new class cost of service studies, it is appropriate to preserve these**  
12          **relationships as there is no evidence that any other relationship would be more**  
13          **appropriate. Accordingly, allocation on an equal percentage basis of any increase**  
14          **that may be awarded in this case will preserve the results of the interclass revenue**  
15          **adjustments that are found appropriate in the cost of service case.**

16   **Q     WOULD THE SAME APPROACH BE APPROPRIATE IF PART OF THE INCREASE**  
17          **IS IN THE FORM OF AN INTERIM ENERGY CHARGE (IEC)?**

18   **A     Yes. Allocation on any other basis would alter the interclass revenue adjustments**  
19          **found appropriate in the cost of service case. Accordingly, only the equal percent**  
20          **across-the-board approach will preserve these relationships that have been found**  
21          **appropriate after reviewing the cost of service evidence.**

1    **Q     HAVE YOU PREPARED AN EXAMPLE TO ILLUSTRATE THE APPLICATION OF**  
2    **AN EQUAL PERCENT INCREASE?**

3    A     Yes. Please see Schedule 1SR. Page 1 of Schedule 1SR is for L&P and page 2 of  
4     Schedule 1SR is for MPS. In the first column, I show base rate revenues at current  
5     rates. For purposes of illustration, I am going to use these revenues as a basis for  
6     the allocation of any revenue increase because I do not know what inter-class  
7     revenue shifts the Commission may order in Case No. EO-2002-384. After the  
8     Commission has decided on the revenue shifts from that case, they should be  
9     factored in before applying the revenue increase.

10   **Q     PLEASE CONTINUE WITH YOUR EXPLANATION.**

11   A     Let's assume that for L&P, base rates are increased by \$3 million and an amount  
12     equal to \$1 million is placed in an IEC. The schedule shows the allocation of the  
13     base revenue increase and the IEC amount. The IEC amount can be collected as an  
14     equal percentage for each customer group, or could be converted into a per kWh  
15     surcharge for each class by dividing the dollar amount allocated by class kWh sales.

16             Page 2 of Schedule 1SR presents an example for MPS assuming a base  
17     revenue increase of \$10 million and an IEC amount of \$5 million.

18   **Q     WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO SEPARATELY TRACK AND REFLECT INCREASES**  
19   **IN FUEL AND VARIABLE PURCHASE POWER COSTS?**

20   A     Yes. When the current IEC was developed, the amount of fuel and variable  
21     purchased power costs (hereafter referred to as fuel-related) in base rates was  
22     specifically identified and stipulated. Accordingly, we know how much fuel-related  
23     cost recovery is built into the current tariffs. It would therefore be possible to adjust

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1       this fuel-related cost recovery, by rate schedule, to reflect any changes in the amount  
2       of fuel-related costs to be included in base rates, as well as any amount that might be  
3       associated with a new IEC.

4    **Q     IF CHANGES IN THE FUEL-RELATED COMPONENT ARE SEPARATELY**  
5       **IDENTIFIED AND REFLECTED IN RATE CHANGES, HOW SHOULD CHANGES IN**  
6       **THE NON-FUEL COMPONENT BE REFLECTED IN RATES?**

7    **A     The appropriate way to reflect in rates these changes in non-fuel costs would be to**  
8       **apportion them as an equal percentage of the non-fuel portion of base revenues after**  
9       **first adjusting for any interclass revenue shifts from Case No. EO-2002-384.**

10   **Q     HAVE YOU PREPARED A SCHEDULE TO SHOW THE DERIVATION OF THE**  
11       **FUEL AND THE NON-FUEL REVENUES BY RATE GROUP?**

12   **A     Yes. This is shown on Schedule 2SR.**

13   **Q     WHAT IS THE SOURCE OF THE FUEL-RELATED COSTS INCLUDED IN BASE**  
14       **RATES?**

15   **A     The source of the fuel-related costs per kWh included in base rates is Appendix A to**  
16       **the Stipulation and Agreement in Case No. ER-2004-0034, the previous rate case for**  
17       **Aquila, Inc. in which the current IEC was established. (This is provided in Schedule 2**  
18       **of Mr. Featherstone's direct testimony on revenue requirements in this case.)**

1    **Q     PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THE FUEL-RELATED AND NON-FUEL REVENUES ARE**  
2       **DEVELOPED.**

3    A     The fuel revenues are developed by multiplying the class energy sales in column 2 of  
4       Schedule 2SR times the amount per kWh included in permanent rates. The non-fuel  
5       revenue, shown in column 4, is derived by subtracting the fuel-related revenue from  
6       the total permanent base rate revenue shown in column 1.

7    **Q     IS THIS DISTINCTION BETWEEN FUEL-RELATED AND NON-FUEL REVENUES**  
8       **IMPORTANT?**

9    A     Yes, it is important if there is a desire to reflect the impact of change in fuel-related  
10       cost recovery on a per kWh basis.

11   **Q     PLEASE EXPLAIN.**

12   A     If fuel-related costs are to be passed through on a kWh basis, then the tracking of  
13       changes in non-fuel costs should be related to the level of non-fuel revenue in each  
14       class. In other words, if increases in fuel cost are to be reflected in customer rates by  
15       increasing the amount per kWh, then any increases in the level of non-fuel costs  
16       should be allocated as a uniform percentage applied to the non-fuel revenues in each  
17       customer class. Since total revenues include both fuel-related and non-fuel  
18       revenues, allocating increases in non-fuel costs on total revenues would distort rate  
19       relationships.

20   **Q     CAN YOU ILLUSTRATE?**

21   A     Please refer to columns 5 through 7 on Schedule 2SR. Focusing first on page 1,  
22       which pertains to L&P Electric, note that the residential class accounts for 45% of the

1 non-fuel revenues, but only 37% of the fuel-related revenues. In contrast, the large  
2 power class accounts for 24% of non-fuel revenues but 37% of the fuel-related.

3 The differences are even larger in the case of MPS as shown on page 2 of  
4 Schedule 2SR. The MPS residential class constitutes 56% of non-fuel revenues but  
5 only 46% of the fuel-related revenues. The large power class represents 13% of non-  
6 fuel revenues but 23% of the fuel-related revenues.

7 The difference in impact between allocating increases in non-fuel costs on  
8 current non-fuel revenues as compared to total permanent revenues is appreciated  
9 by comparing columns 5 and 7. For the MPS large power class, allocation of  
10 increases in non-fuel costs on total revenues would assign to them 16% of the total,  
11 whereas they are responsible only for 13% of the non-fuel revenues. Therefore, if the  
12 above average proportion of fuel-related cost recovery associated with the large  
13 power class is to be recognized by assigning increases in fuel cost on a per kWh  
14 basis, it is imperative that the approach be applied consistently and changes in  
15 non-fuel costs be applied on the basis of existing non-fuel revenues and not on the  
16 total revenues which include both fuel and non-fuel revenues.

17 **Q HAVE YOU PREPARED AN ILLUSTRATION OF THIS APPROACH?**

18 **A** Yes. This is shown on Schedule 3SR. Column 1 shows the allocation of additional  
19 fuel-related costs that are to be included in base rates. The allocation is on the basis  
20 of current responsibility for fuel-related costs, which is equivalent to a per kWh  
21 allocation. Column 2 shows the allocation of additional non-fuel costs in base rates  
22 and is accomplished by increasing the existing non-fuel revenues of each class by an  
23 equal percent. Column 3 shows new base rates, which are equal to current base  
24 rates plus the two components of the increase shown in columns 1 and 2. Column 4

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1 shows the allocation of an amount of fuel in an IEC allocated based on kWh sales.  
2 Finally, column 5 shows the sum of the new base rates and the IEC.

3 **Response to Staff Witness James Watkins**

4 **Q DID MR. WATKINS RESPOND TO YOUR INTERCLASS REVENUE ALLOCATION**  
5 **RECOMMENDATIONS?**

6 A Yes, but only in part. I should also note that my clients have pending a motion to  
7 strike portions of Mr. Watkins' testimony on this issue, as we believe this issue was  
8 determined by the Commission to be litigated, briefed and decided in the EO-2002-  
9 0384 Class Cost of Service case. Any response that I make here is without prejudice  
10 to that motion. Further, should that motion be denied, we expect to request additional  
11 time from the Commission to make a more detailed response to Mr. Watkins'  
12 testimony on these issues.

13 **Q PLEASE EXPLAIN THE INITIAL PART OF YOUR RESPONSE.**

14 A As noted above, I offered two alternatives for interclass revenue allocation. The first  
15 was an equal percentage approach, implemented by applying an equal percent to  
16 existing rates in order to recover any increases in base revenues, and also allocating  
17 any IEC amount as an equal percentage. This was designed to maintain the rate  
18 relationships found appropriate at this point in time in the class cost of service case.

19 The alternative recommendation was to allocate any increases in non-fuel  
20 revenues as an equal percentage of non-fuel revenues in the event that it was  
21 decided to allocate any increase in fuel cost revenues on a per kWh basis.

1           Mr. Watkins only addressed the portion of my testimony with respect to the  
2           equal percentage allocation of the fuel cost component of an IEC under the first  
3           alternative.

4    **Q     DOES MR. WATKINS ADDRESS HOW TO ALLOCATE ANY INCREASES IN NON-**  
5           **FUEL REVENUE?**

6    **A     No, he does not.**

7    **Q     DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER COMMENTS CONCERNING MR. WATKINS'**  
8           **TESTIMONY?**

9    **A     Yes. Mr. Watkins' direct testimony is the subject of a pending motion to strike, so an**  
10          **additional response may be required if the motion is not granted.**

11    **Response to OPC Witness Barbara Meisenheimer**

12   **Q     HAVE YOU REVIEWED THE REBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF OPC WITNESS**  
13          **BARBARA MEISENHEIMER?**

14   **A     Yes, I have. She provides what she calls a "updated" class cost of service study and**  
15          **also responds to some of my revenue allocation recommendations.**

16   **Q     PLEASE ADDRESS MS. MEISENHEIMER'S "UPDATED" COST OF SERVICE**  
17          **STUDY.**

18   **A     As I discussed in connection with Mr. Watkins' testimony, this testimony of Ms.**  
19          **Meisenheimer is subject to a motion to strike, so I will only briefly address it here.**  
20          **However, in the event that the motion to strike is not granted, I reserve the right to file**  
21          **a more detailed response.**

1 Q IN THAT CONTEXT, PLEASE ADDRESS MS. MEISENHEIMER'S "UPDATED"  
2 COST OF SERVICE STUDY.

3 A It is difficult to characterize her study as a "updated" cost of service study since it is  
4 actually a revised and corrected version of the study which she filed in the cost of  
5 service case, EO-2002-384. Thus, I find that it is of no value in this proceeding.

6 Q DOES MS. MEISENHEIMER ADDRESS YOUR ALLOCATION OF ANY REVENUE  
7 INCREASE?

8 A Only very partially. She, like Mr. Watkins, just talks about the allocation of fuel cost.  
9 She does not address my recommendation with respect to the two alternatives, nor  
10 does she address how to allocate any increase in non-fuel revenues if fuel-related  
11 costs are allocated on a per kWh basis.

12 Finally, on page 8 of her rebuttal testimony, she refers to page 3 of her  
13 schedules and states:

14 "It appears that allocating the IEC related costs on class cost of service  
15 creates an allocation of these costs that is approximately six percent  
16 higher than if the incremental costs were based on energy. "

17 There are two problems with this. First, the overall increase will not be different  
18 irrespective of how it is spread, and she does not state to what class or group of  
19 customers the 6% applies. . .thus, her statement has no meaning. Second, page 3 of  
20 her schedules illustrates only one set of allocations, not two, so the comparison that  
21 she claims exists on Schedule 3 is simply not there. Nothing meaningful can be  
22 concluded from this portion of her testimony or the schedules.

1    **Fuel Cost Levels and Recovery Mechanisms**

2    Q    HAVE YOU REVIEWED THE TESTIMONY OF STAFF WITNESS CARY  
3           FEATHERSTONE AND AQUILA WITNESS DENNIS WILLIAMS WITH RESPECT  
4           TO FUEL AND PURCHASED POWER COST RECOVERY?

5    A    Yes, I have. Both witnesses are supportive of an Interim Energy Charge (IEC) which  
6           would, similar to IECs that have been operative in the past, include a specified  
7           amount of fuel and variable purchased power cost in Aquila's base rates, and an  
8           additional amount in the form of a refundable surcharge.

9    Q    IN YOUR EARLIER TESTIMONY, YOU SUPPORTED AN IEC MECHANISM AS  
10          WELL. DO YOU CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THAT APPROACH?

11   A    Yes, I do. The natural gas market continues to be characterized by volatility and an  
12          elevated (at least by historic standards) price level. Attempting to lock into the rates  
13          an accurate level for fuel and variable purchased power cost recovery is challenging,  
14          and under present circumstances an IEC cost recovery mechanism is a useful  
15          approach. While I will discuss this concept, I understand that there is a question  
16          about the legality of an IEC mechanism.

17   Q    HAVE YOU UPDATED THE NYMEX GAS FUTURES PRICES THAT YOU  
18          INCLUDED WITH YOUR DIRECT TESTIMONY?

19   A    Yes. Schedule 4SR provides an update of the NYMEX futures prices through  
20          November 30, 2005. While it continues to show high price levels throughout the  
21          period reported, note that the trend is for declining prices, indicating that the market  
22          participants view current prices to be abnormally high.

1    **Q     WOULD AQUILA TYPICALLY ACQUIRE PHYSICAL GAS AT THE NYMEX PRICE**  
2           **LEVEL, OR AT A LOWER PRICE?**

3    A     Aquila typically would be able to purchase natural gas at a price less than the  
4           NYMEX price. Aquila transports its gas on Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline  
5           (Southern Star) and on Panhandle Eastern Pipeline Company (Panhandle). The  
6           typical pricing point for gas that Aquila purchases for transport on these pipelines  
7           runs at a discount to the Henry Hub/NYMEX prices. The magnitude of the negative  
8           basis depends upon the overall level of gas prices and conditions in the market.

9                 Schedule 5SR is a graphical presentation of this basis differential over the  
10            period January 2004 through November 2005. Page 1 shows the gas price data, by  
11            month, at each of the three pricing points. Page 2 of this Schedule shows the  
12            differential over the same period of time. Note that during the early portion of this  
13            time period, the basis was in the range of -\$0.50 per MMBtu to Henry Hub. More  
14            recently, with the substantially elevated market gas prices, the basis has been  
15            significantly more negative, ranging to over \$4.00 per MMBtu, below the Henry Hub  
16            price.

17   **Q     HAS AQUILA ALSO ENTERED INTO FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS TO HEDGE**  
18           **THE PRICE OF ITS NATURAL GAS AND PURCHASED POWER?**

19   A     Yes. According to Aquila's response to SIEUA 234 (Revised), Aquila has entered  
20           into NYMEX swaps (fixed for floating price transactions) for \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\* of  
21           gas for the 12-month period ending March 2007 at an average price of  
22           \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\*, and for the 12-month period ending March 2008, a total  
23           volume of \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\* at an average price of \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\*. In

1       these transactions, Aquila is paid the actual NYMEX price by the financial counter-  
2       party, and pays to the counter-party a fixed price per MMBtu.

3   **Q     DO THESE FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS PROVIDE AQUILA WITH PHYSICAL**  
4       **GAS?**

5   **A**They alter the net cost of gas to Aquila, but Aquila still must acquire the gas.

6   **Q     PLEASE EXPLAIN THESE ARRANGEMENTS AND RELATIONSHIPS.**

7   **A**For example, suppose that Aquila had entered into physical transactions to acquire  
8       gas from a producer or marketer of natural gas at a price equal to the NYMEX price  
9       minus a basis adjustment. Aquila would pay the fixed price to the financial counter-  
10      party, receive the NYMEX index from the financial counter-party, and pay to the  
11      producer or marketer the NYMEX price minus the basis differential. On net, Aquila's  
12      cost of gas would be equal to the fixed price minus the basis differential. Thus, if  
13      Aquila were counter-party to a swap transaction that provided it with a fixed gas price  
14      of \$9.00 per MMBtu, but was purchasing gas from a marketer at NYMEX minus \$2.00  
15      per MMBtu, its net cost would be \$7.00 per MMBtu. Thus, both physical and financial  
16      transactions must be taken into account in estimating what Aquila's cost of acquired  
17      natural gas will be.

18  **Q     IF AQUILA WERE ACQUIRING ITS PHYSICAL GAS IN THE MARKET AREA AT A**  
19      **PRICE THAT WAS NOT EXPLICITLY TIED TO THE NYMEX PRICE, WOULD THE**  
20      **RELATIONSHIPS AND ARRANGEMENTS BE SIMILAR?**

21  **A**Yes. If Aquila were buying gas in a market area at a price that was below the Henry  
22      Hub price, then that would naturally be reflected in the price that it paid to the

1 producer or marketer, and the net result of the transactions would be exactly the  
2 same.

3 Q HAS AQUILA PROVIDED ITS ESTIMATED PHYSICAL NATURAL GAS  
4 REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTRIC GENERATION, DISCLOSED TRANSACTIONS  
5 INTO WHICH IT MAY ALREADY HAVE ENTERED WITH RESPECT TO SUCH  
6 VOLUMES, OR THE ANTICIPATED BASIS FOR SUCH PHYSICAL CONTRACTS?

7 A No. This has been requested of Aquila, but it has not provided any information with  
8 regard to the specific physical transactions (quantity, delivery point, price) into which it  
9 has already entered, or into which it anticipates entering.

10 Q HAS AQUILA ALSO ENTERED INTO CALL OPTION CONTRACTS?

11 A Yes. For the 12-month period ending March 2007, Aquila reports having entered into  
12 call option contracts for \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\* of natural gas at a weighted average  
13 cost of \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\* (of which \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\* at an average price of  
14 \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\* are currently profitable); and for the 12-month period ending  
15 March 2008, a quantity equal to \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\* at an average cost of  
16 \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\* (all of which currently are profitable). These call options  
17 provide Aquila with the opportunity to secure gas at the specified strike price, at  
18 Aquila's option. Thus, the call option contracts provide a protection from upside  
19 movements in natural gas prices by allowing Aquila to exercise the option if prices  
20 move above the strike price, while giving it the flexibility not to exercise the option and  
21 instead buy in the market, if actual prices are below the strike price.

1 Q WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THE HEDGE VOLUMES ARE ASSIGNED TO GAS  
2 GENERATION AND WHAT PERCENT ARE ASSIGNED TO PURCHASED POWER  
3 EQUIVALENCE?

4 A According to information provided by Aquila, approximately 34% of both the swaps  
5 and the call options are related to gas to be acquired for electric generation, and the  
6 balance is related to purchase power.

7 Q WHAT AMOUNTS DOES MR. WILLIAMS RECOMMEND FOR BASE RATE AND  
8 IEC COST RECOVERIES?

9 A Mr. Williams recommends, for the base, a natural gas price of \$7.00 per MMBtu and  
10 for purchased power, a price of \$50 per MWh.

11 For the IEC, he recommends a total natural gas cost of \$10.00 per MMBtu,  
12 and a purchased power price of \$80 per MWh.

13 Q DO YOU AGREE WITH THESE PRICE LEVELS?

14 A No, I do not.

15 Q PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY NOT.

16 A Mr. Williams has not said what these prices represent or explained how he derived  
17 them. There is no evidentiary basis to accept them.

18 Q WHAT DO YOU RECOMMEND BE USED FOR NATURAL GAS PRICES?

19 A For the base, I believe it would be appropriate to use natural gas prices equal to the  
20 swap prices under Aquila's hedges, which is about \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\* for the  
21 period April 2006 through March 2008, minus the basis differential to the market area

1 where natural gas is purchased. In the absence of explicit information from Aquila, I  
2 would recommend using a subtraction of \$3 per MMBtu, consistent with the  
3 information shown on Schedule 5SR. The resulting price would then be  
4 \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\*.

5 Based on Staff's dispatch, the volume of gas that Aquila has under fixed for  
6 floating price arrangements is more than adequate for Aquila's generation  
7 requirements. However, to recognize imprecision in forecasting, I would recommend  
8 making the amount in the IEC \$1 per MMBtu greater than the amount in the base.

9 **Q WHAT AMOUNTS DO YOU RECOMMEND FOR THE SPOT PURCHASE POWER**  
10 **COMPONENT?**

11 A Both Staff and Aquila have modeled the system dispatch, but there is a large  
12 difference between them with respect to the purchased power issue. In light of this  
13 large difference, I recommend including in the base Staff's spot power average price  
14 of \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\*. The amount in the IEC should be set equal to the average  
15 cost of spot purchase power for the period January through October of 2005 in the  
16 amount of \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\*, minus the net value of the natural gas hedges not  
17 required for physical gas. Based on Staff's dispatch, and current NYMEX prices, the  
18 net value of the hedges is approximately \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\*, making an offset of  
19 \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\*, which yields a net price for the IEC of \*\*\*CONFIDENTIAL\*\*\*.

20 **Q DOES MR. WILLIAMS ALSO PROPOSE TO INCLUDE SO<sub>2</sub> ALLOWANCES IN THE**  
21 **IEC?**

22 A Yes, he does.

1 Q SHOULD SO<sub>2</sub> ALLOWANCES BE INCLUDED IN AN IEC?

2 A No. SO<sub>2</sub> allowances are not fuel, they are permissions to emit SO<sub>2</sub>. SO<sub>2</sub> allowances  
3 have never been included in IEC mechanisms, and should not be included now.

4 Q DOES MR. WILLIAMS PROPOSE ANY OTHER CHANGES TO THE IEC  
5 MECHANISM THAT IS CURRENTLY IN PLACE?

6 A Yes. He now proposes that Aquila be allowed to record in a deferred regulatory asset  
7 account any amount which Aquila expends above the ceiling price in the IEC, for  
8 recovery in the next general rate case with a two-year forward amortization.

9 Q DO YOU AGREE WITH THIS MODIFICATION TO THE CURRENT IEC  
10 MECHANISM?

11 A No, I do not. One of the most important features of the IEC mechanism is that while it  
12 allows the utility some upside room if higher fuel costs are experienced, it also  
13 provides the utility with an incentive to efficiently manage its fuel and purchase power  
14 costs. At the upper end, this is accomplished by requiring by the utility to absorb any  
15 costs incurred in excess of the ceiling price in the IEC. This feature in the IEC is very  
16 important as it aligns the interests of the utility with those of the consumers, in a  
17 fashion similar to the alignment of incentives when all costs are recovered through  
18 base rates and there are no adjustment clauses. The prospect of adverse earnings  
19 consequences for incurring high fuel costs is a very important incentive that I believe  
20 should be retained if an IEC is put in place at the end of this case.

1    **Q     WITHIN THE BAND BETWEEN THE BASE RATES AND THE IEC, IS THERE AN**  
2           **INCENTIVE FOR AQUILA TO REDUCE ITS COST?**

3    A     If Aquila is within the band, the structure of the IEC that has previously been utilized  
4           would provide for 100% recovery of costs deemed to have been prudently incurred.  
5           In order to better align the interests of the consumer and the utility, it would be  
6           appropriate to build into the mechanism an incentive in the form of less than complete  
7           recovery of costs incurred within this region. The knowledge that some portion of the  
8           incurred costs will not be subject to recovery from consumers would provide a  
9           continuous incentive to improve performance at all levels.

10   **Q     ARE THERE ANY OTHER ISSUES THAT ARISE IN CONNECTION WITH**  
11          **AQUILA'S PLANNING AND FUEL PROCUREMENT PROCESSES?**

12   A     Yes. As Ms. Hennings' testimony points out, there is a considerable question  
13          concerning the adequacy of Aquila's analysis and planning with respect to the use of  
14          solid fuels, as well as consideration of the most appropriate method to deal with  
15          regulated emissions. Particular issues include the specific emissions to be controlled,  
16          the choices among fuel sources, technology to reduce emissions, the cost of  
17          acquiring emission allowances, reliability of fuel suppliers, and the impact of different  
18          strategies on generating unit operations and maintenance requirements.

19                 The issues in this case concerning coal for Sibley and Lake Road bring all of  
20          these issues to the forefront. Aquila should be put on notice that an effective  
21          planning process not only is expected, but required. While always important, it must  
22          be in place before any fuel adjustment rate form that would comprehend periodic rate  
23          adjustments to pass through prudently incurred fuel and purchased power cost is  
24          considered.

1 Q DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY?

2 A Yes, it does.

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## AQUILA NETWORKS - L&P

### Illustration of an Across-the-Board Allocation of a Revenue Increase

| Line | Rate Group            | Rate Revenue<br>from<br>Base Rates*<br>(\$000)<br>(1) | Increase in<br>Base Rates<br>(\$000)<br>(2) | New<br>Base Rates<br>(\$000)<br>(3) | Percent<br>Increase in<br>Base Rates<br>(4) | Allocation of<br>New IEC<br>(\$000)<br>(5) | IEC as a<br>Percent of<br>New<br>Base Rates<br>(6) | New<br>Base Rates<br>Plus IEC<br>(\$000)<br>(7) |
|------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Residential           | \$42,607.0                                            | \$1,287.5                                   | \$43,894.4                          | 3.022%                                      | \$429.2                                    | 0.978%                                             | \$44,323.6                                      |
| 2    | Small General Service | \$7,794.7                                             | \$235.5                                     | \$8,030.3                           | 3.022%                                      | \$78.5                                     | 0.978%                                             | \$8,108.8                                       |
| 3    | Large General Service | \$19,216.3                                            | \$580.7                                     | \$19,797.0                          | 3.022%                                      | \$193.6                                    | 0.978%                                             | \$19,990.5                                      |
| 4    | Large Power           | \$27,374.3                                            | \$827.2                                     | \$28,201.5                          | 3.022%                                      | \$275.7                                    | 0.978%                                             | \$28,477.2                                      |
| 5    | Lighting              | \$2,288.6                                             | \$69.2                                      | \$2,357.8                           | 3.022%                                      | \$23.1                                     | 0.978%                                             | \$2,380.8                                       |
| 6    | Total                 | \$99,280.9                                            | \$3,000.0                                   | \$102,280.9                         | 3.022%                                      | \$1,000.0                                  | 0.978%                                             | \$103,280.9                                     |

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\*Before allocating any increase, there should first be an adjustment for inter-class revenue shifts from Case No. EO-2002-384

## AQUILA NETWORKS - MPS

### Illustration of an Across-the-Board Allocation of a Revenue Increase

| Line | Rate Group            | Rate Revenue<br>from<br>Base Rates*<br>(\$000)<br>(1) | Increase in<br>Base Rates<br>(\$000)<br>(2) | New<br>Base Rates<br>(\$000)<br>(3) | Percent<br>Increase in<br>Base Rates<br>(4) | Allocation of<br>New IEC<br>(\$000)<br>(5) | IEC as a<br>Percent of<br>New<br>Base Rates<br>(6) | New<br>Base Rates<br>Plus IEC<br>(\$000)<br>(7) |
|------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Residential           | \$183,279.5                                           | \$5,352.9                                   | \$188,632.3                         | 2.921%                                      | \$2,676.4                                  | 1.419%                                             | \$191,308.8                                     |
| 2    | Small General Service | \$53,740.9                                            | \$1,569.6                                   | \$55,310.5                          | 2.921%                                      | \$784.8                                    | 1.419%                                             | \$56,095.3                                      |
| 3    | Large General Service | \$44,645.0                                            | \$1,303.9                                   | \$45,948.9                          | 2.921%                                      | \$652.0                                    | 1.419%                                             | \$46,600.9                                      |
| 4    | Large Power           | \$54,683.2                                            | \$1,597.1                                   | \$56,280.2                          | 2.921%                                      | \$798.5                                    | 1.419%                                             | \$57,078.8                                      |
| 5    | Special               | \$519.8                                               | \$15.2                                      | \$535.0                             | 2.921%                                      | \$7.6                                      | 1.419%                                             | \$542.6                                         |
| 6    | Lighting              | \$5,526.9                                             | \$161.4                                     | \$5,688.3                           | 2.921%                                      | \$80.7                                     | 1.419%                                             | \$5,769.0                                       |
| 7    | Total                 | \$342,395.3                                           | \$10,000.0                                  | \$352,395.3                         | 2.921%                                      | \$5,000.0                                  | 1.419%                                             | \$357,395.3                                     |

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\*Before allocating any increase, there should first be an adjustment for inter-class revenue shifts from Case No. EO-2002-384

## AQUILA NETWORKS - L&P

### Determination of Fuel-Related and Non-Fuel Revenue by Rate Group at Current Base Rates

| Line | Rate Group            | Total Rate<br>Revenue from<br>Base Rates<br>(\$000) | MWh<br>Sales<br>(2) | Fuel-Related<br>Revenue<br>Included in<br>Base Rates*<br>(\$000) | Non-Fuel<br>Revenue<br>(\$000)<br>(4) | Percent of Revenue by Rate Group |                         |                 |
|------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
|      |                       | (1)                                                 |                     | (3)                                                              |                                       | Total<br>Base<br>(5)             | Fuel-<br>Related<br>(6) | Non-Fuel<br>(7) |
| 1    | Residential           | \$42,607.0                                          | 738,834             | \$9,339.6                                                        | \$33,267.4                            | 43%                              | 37%                     | 45%             |
| 2    | Small General Service | \$7,794.7                                           | 105,133             | \$1,329.0                                                        | \$6,465.7                             | 8%                               | 5%                      | 9%              |
| 3    | Large General Service | \$19,216.3                                          | 397,817             | \$5,028.8                                                        | \$14,187.5                            | 19%                              | 20%                     | 19%             |
| 4    | Large Power           | \$27,374.3                                          | 733,882             | \$9,277.0                                                        | \$18,097.3                            | 28%                              | 37%                     | 24%             |
| 6    | Lighting              | \$2,288.6                                           | 21,348              | \$269.9                                                          | \$2,018.8                             | 2%                               | 1%                      | 3%              |
| 7    | Total Sales           | \$99,280.9                                          | 1,997,012           | \$25,244.2                                                       | \$74,036.7                            | 100%                             | 100%                    | 100%            |

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\* MWh Sales multiplied by \$12.641/MWh; Aquila Networks, Case No. ER-2004-0034, "Stipulation and Agreement", Appendix A

## AQUILA NETWORKS - MPS

### Determination of Fuel-Related and Non-Fuel Revenue by Rate Group at Current Base Rates

| Line | Rate Group            | Total Rate<br>Revenue from<br>Base Rates<br>(\$000) | MWh<br>Sales | Fuel-Related<br>Revenue<br>Included in<br>Base Rates*<br>(\$000) | Non-Fuel<br>Revenue<br>(\$000) | Percent of Revenue by Rate Group |                         |                 |
|------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
|      |                       | (1)                                                 |              | (3)                                                              | (4)                            | Total<br>Base<br>(5)             | Fuel-<br>Related<br>(6) | Non-Fuel<br>(7) |
| 1    | Residential           | \$183,279.5                                         | 2,572,791    | \$42,847.3                                                       | \$140,432.2                    | 54%                              | 46%                     | 56%             |
| 2    | Small General Service | \$53,740.9                                          | 812,395      | \$13,529.6                                                       | \$40,211.3                     | 16%                              | 15%                     | 16%             |
| 3    | Large General Service | \$44,645.0                                          | 849,676      | \$14,150.5                                                       | \$30,494.5                     | 13%                              | 15%                     | 12%             |
| 4    | Large Power           | \$54,683.2                                          | 1,285,996    | \$21,417.0                                                       | \$33,266.2                     | 16%                              | 23%                     | 13%             |
| 5    | Special               | \$519.8                                             | 11,777       | \$196.1                                                          | \$323.7                        | 0%                               | 0%                      | 0%              |
| 6    | Lighting              | \$5,526.9                                           | 43,914       | \$731.4                                                          | \$4,795.5                      | 2%                               | 1%                      | 2%              |
| 7    | Total Sales           | \$342,395.3                                         | 5,576,549    | \$92,871.8                                                       | \$249,523.5                    | 100%                             | 100%                    | 100%            |

\* MWh Sales multiplied by \$16.654/MWh; Aquila Networks, Case No. ER-2004-0034, "Stipulation and Agreement", Appendix A

## AQUILA NETWORKS - L&P

### Illustration of Fuel / Non-Fuel Allocation of Changes in Revenue Requirement

| Line | Rate Group            | Base<br>Revenues from<br>Current Base<br>Rates<br>(\$000)<br>(1) | Allocation of<br>Additional<br>Fuel-Related<br>Costs in<br>Base Rates<br>(\$000) <sup>1</sup><br>(2) | Allocation of<br>Additional<br>Non-Fuel<br>Costs in<br>Base Rates<br>(\$000) <sup>2</sup><br>(3) | New<br>Base Rates<br>(\$000)<br>(4) | Allocation of<br>IEC Amount<br>(\$000) <sup>1</sup><br>(5) | New<br>Base Rates<br>plus IEC<br>(\$000)<br>(6) |
|------|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Residential           | \$42,607.0                                                       | \$555.0                                                                                              | \$674.0                                                                                          | \$43,835.9                          | \$370.0                                                    | \$44,205.9                                      |
| 2    | Small General Service | \$7,794.7                                                        | \$79.0                                                                                               | \$131.0                                                                                          | \$8,004.7                           | \$52.6                                                     | \$8,057.3                                       |
| 3    | Large General Service | \$19,216.3                                                       | \$298.8                                                                                              | \$287.4                                                                                          | \$19,802.6                          | \$199.2                                                    | \$20,001.8                                      |
| 4    | Large Power           | \$27,374.3                                                       | \$551.2                                                                                              | \$366.7                                                                                          | \$28,292.2                          | \$367.5                                                    | \$28,659.7                                      |
| 5    | Lighting              | \$2,288.6                                                        | \$16.0                                                                                               | \$40.9                                                                                           | \$2,345.6                           | \$10.7                                                     | \$2,356.3                                       |
| 7    | Total                 | \$99,280.9                                                       | \$1,500.0                                                                                            | \$1,500.0                                                                                        | \$102,280.9                         | \$1,000.0                                                  | \$103,280.9                                     |

<sup>1</sup> Allocated on Column (6) from Schedule 2, Page 1

<sup>2</sup> Allocated on Column (7) from Schedule 2, Page 1

## AQUILA NETWORKS - MPS

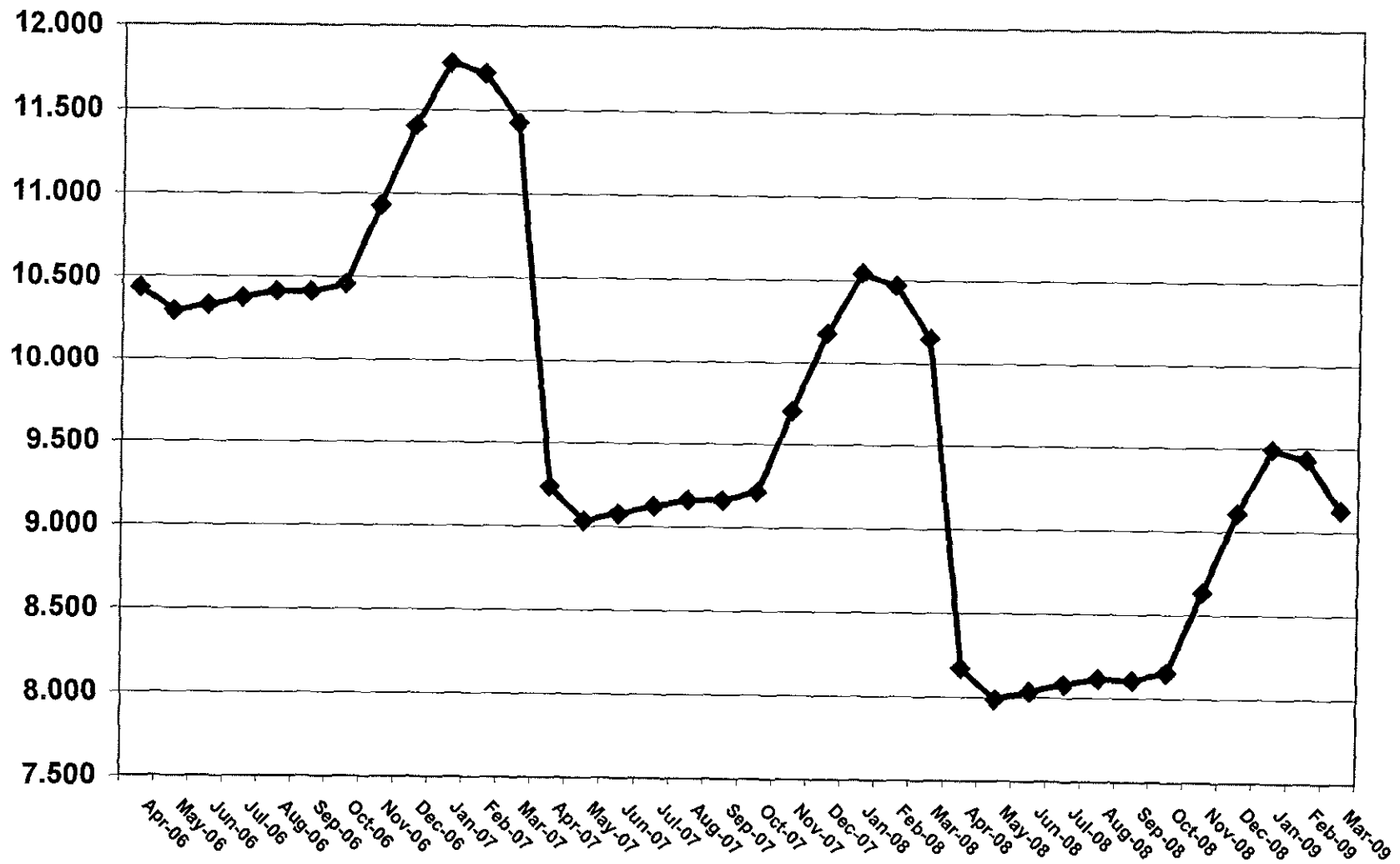
### Illustration of Fuel / Non-Fuel Allocation of Changes in Revenue Requirement

| Line | Rate Group            | Base<br>Revenues from<br>Current Base<br>Rates<br>(\$000)<br>(1) | Allocation of<br>Additional<br>Fuel-Related<br>Costs in<br>Base Rates<br>(\$000) <sup>1</sup><br>(2) | Allocation of<br>Additional<br>Non-Fuel<br>Costs in<br>Base Rates<br>(\$000) <sup>2</sup><br>(3) | New<br>Base Rates<br>(\$000)<br>(4) | Allocation of<br>IEC Amount<br>(\$000) <sup>1</sup><br>(5) | New<br>Base Rates<br>plus IEC<br>(\$000)<br>(6) |
|------|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Residential           | \$183,279.5                                                      | \$2,768.2                                                                                            | \$2,251.2                                                                                        | \$188,298.8                         | \$2,306.8                                                  | \$190,605.6                                     |
| 2    | Small General Service | \$53,740.9                                                       | \$874.1                                                                                              | \$644.6                                                                                          | \$55,259.6                          | \$728.4                                                    | \$55,988.0                                      |
| 3    | Large General Service | \$44,645.0                                                       | \$914.2                                                                                              | \$488.8                                                                                          | \$46,048.1                          | \$761.8                                                    | \$46,809.9                                      |
| 4    | Large Power           | \$54,683.2                                                       | \$1,383.6                                                                                            | \$533.3                                                                                          | \$56,600.1                          | \$1,153.0                                                  | \$57,753.1                                      |
| 5    | Special               | \$519.8                                                          | \$12.7                                                                                               | \$5.2                                                                                            | \$537.7                             | \$10.6                                                     | \$548.3                                         |
| 6    | Lighting              | \$5,526.9                                                        | \$47.2                                                                                               | \$76.9                                                                                           | \$5,651.0                           | \$39.4                                                     | \$5,690.4                                       |
| 7    | Total                 | \$342,395.3                                                      | \$6,000.0                                                                                            | \$4,000.0                                                                                        | \$352,395.3                         | \$5,000.0                                                  | \$357,395.3                                     |

<sup>1</sup> Allocated on Column (6) from Schedule 2, Page 2

<sup>2</sup> Allocated on Column (7) from Schedule 2, Page 2

**NYMEX NATURAL GAS FUTURES SETTLEMENT PRICES ON 11-30-2005**  
**APRIL 2006 - MARCH 2009 (\$/MMBtu)**



**NYMEX NATURAL GAS FUTURES PRICES (\$/MMBTU)**  
**(APRIL 2006 - MARCH 2009)**

|      |                           | 1/14/2005      | 2/15/2005      | 3/15/2005      | 4/15/2005      | 5/16/2005      | 6/15/2005      | 7/15/2005      | 8/15/2005      | 9/15/2005      |
|------|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Line | Contract Month            | Futures Prices | Futures Prices | Futures Prices | Futures Prices | Futures Prices | Futures Prices | Futures Prices | Futures Prices | Futures Prices |
| 1    | Apr-06                    | 6.049          | 6.264          | 6.878          | 7.063          | 6.829          | 7.559          | 7.870          | 8.772          | 10.007         |
| 2    | May-06                    | 5.914          | 6.129          | 6.733          | 6.913          | 6.714          | 7.411          | 7.710          | 8.547          | 9.627          |
| 3    | Jun-06                    | 5.924          | 6.154          | 6.758          | 6.950          | 6.758          | 7.451          | 7.752          | 8.578          | 9.652          |
| 4    | Jul-06                    | 5.944          | 6.184          | 6.783          | 6.985          | 6.804          | 7.498          | 7.802          | 8.623          | 9.693          |
| 5    | Aug-06                    | 5.964          | 6.209          | 6.808          | 7.005          | 6.840          | 7.533          | 7.847          | 8.662          | 9.736          |
| 6    | Sep-06                    | 5.959          | 6.194          | 6.787          | 6.985          | 6.837          | 7.522          | 7.835          | 8.640          | 9.712          |
| 7    | Oct-06                    | 5.989          | 6.219          | 6.812          | 7.018          | 6.877          | 7.554          | 7.870          | 8.667          | 9.741          |
| 8    | Nov-06                    | 6.299          | 6.514          | 7.107          | 7.338          | 7.202          | 7.909          | 8.215          | 9.027          | 10.131         |
| 9    | Dec-06                    | 6.574          | 6.794          | 7.392          | 7.648          | 7.502          | 8.224          | 8.545          | 9.362          | 10.511         |
| 10   | Jan-07                    | 6.779          | 7.019          | 7.603          | 7.858          | 7.712          | 8.451          | 8.780          | 9.607          | 10.796         |
| 11   | Feb-07                    | 6.759          | 6.984          | 7.568          | 7.838          | 7.697          | 8.441          | 8.770          | 9.592          | 10.771         |
| 12   | Mar-07                    | 6.564          | 6.784          | 7.387          | 7.693          | 7.552          | 8.281          | 8.620          | 9.407          | 10.536         |
| 13   | Apr-07                    | 5.674          | 5.899          | 6.357          | 6.573          | 6.512          | 7.116          | 7.465          | 8.082          | 8.826          |
| 14   | May-07                    | 5.534          | 5.759          | 6.222          | 6.418          | 6.389          | 6.986          | 7.300          | 7.912          | 8.551          |
| 15   | Jun-07                    | 5.556          | 5.789          | 6.232          | 6.438          | 6.427          | 7.026          | 7.348          | 7.947          | 8.586          |
| 16   | Jul-07                    | 5.579          | 5.809          | 6.242          | 6.463          | 6.464          | 7.058          | 7.389          | 7.982          | 8.616          |
| 17   | Aug-07                    | 5.594          | 5.829          | 6.257          | 6.498          | 6.494          | 7.830          | 7.426          | 8.022          | 8.649          |
| 18   | Sep-07                    | 5.569          | 5.814          | 6.237          | 6.473          | 6.480          | 7.068          | 7.420          | 8.012          | 8.634          |
| 19   | Oct-07                    | 5.579          | 5.827          | 6.257          | 6.508          | 6.500          | 7.101          | 7.455          | 8.047          | 8.666          |
| 20   | Nov-07                    | 5.869          | 6.112          | 6.544          | 6.823          | 6.830          | 7.421          | 7.795          | 8.407          | 9.051          |
| 21   | Dec-07                    | 6.159          | 6.377          | 6.832          | 7.118          | 7.150          | 7.731          | 8.115          | 8.742          | 9.436          |
| 22   | Jan-08                    | 6.394          | 6.612          | 7.062          | 7.343          | 7.370          | 7.946          | 8.320          | 8.972          | 9.726          |
| 23   | Feb-08                    | 6.374          | 6.592          | 7.032          | 7.323          | 7.355          | 7.931          | 8.310          | 8.957          | 9.701          |
| 24   | Mar-08                    | 6.167          | 6.392          | 6.832          | 7.153          | 7.205          | 7.779          | 8.165          | 8.777          | 9.466          |
| 25   | Apr-08                    | 5.337          | 5.552          | 5.912          | 6.143          | 6.185          | 6.679          | 7.085          | 7.557          | 8.031          |
| 26   | May-08                    | 5.217          | 5.432          | 5.792          | 5.998          | 6.050          | 6.564          | 6.920          | 7.387          | 7.811          |
| 27   | Jun-08                    | 5.242          | 5.457          | 5.812          | 6.028          | 6.080          | 6.594          | 6.955          | 7.422          | 7.856          |
| 28   | Jul-08                    | 5.272          | 5.482          | 5.832          | 6.058          | 6.110          | 6.624          | 6.990          | 7.462          | 7.896          |
| 29   | Aug-08                    | 5.297          | 5.507          | 5.852          | 6.093          | 6.145          | 6.659          | 7.020          | 7.502          | 7.941          |
| 30   | Sep-08                    | 5.277          | 5.487          | 5.837          | 6.073          | 6.130          | 6.639          | 7.010          | 7.497          | 7.931          |
| 31   | Oct-08                    | 5.292          | 5.497          | 5.852          | 6.093          | 6.150          | 6.669          | 7.045          | 7.537          | 7.961          |
| 32   | Nov-08                    | 5.567          | 5.772          | 6.127          | 6.378          | 6.465          | 6.999          | 7.395          | 7.892          | 8.356          |
| 33   | Dec-08                    | 5.842          | 6.047          | 6.387          | 6.653          | 6.760          | 7.304          | 7.715          | 8.227          | 8.741          |
| 34   | Jan-09                    | 6.067          | 6.287          | 6.622          | 6.893          | 6.980          | 7.524          | 7.940          | 8.447          | 9.031          |
| 35   | Feb-09                    | 6.067          | 6.272          | 6.592          | 6.873          | 6.965          | 7.512          | 7.935          | 8.432          | 9.006          |
| 36   | Mar-09                    | 5.897          | 6.077          | 6.387          | 6.683          | 6.815          | 7.372          | 7.795          | 8.258          | 8.776          |
| 37   | 1st Year Avg <sup>1</sup> | 6.227          | 6.454          | 7.051          | 7.275          | 7.110          | 7.820          | 8.135          | 8.957          | 10.076         |
| 38   | 2nd Year Avg <sup>2</sup> | 5.837          | 6.068          | 6.509          | 6.761          | 6.765          | 7.416          | 7.709          | 8.322          | 8.992          |
| 39   | 3rd Year Avg <sup>3</sup> | 5.531          | 5.739          | 6.084          | 6.331          | 6.403          | 6.928          | 7.315          | 7.802          | 8.278          |
| 40   | Total 3-Year Avg          | 5.865          | 6.087          | 6.548          | 6.789          | 6.759          | 7.388          | 7.720          | 8.360          | 9.116          |

Notes:

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| <u>Line</u> | <u>Contract</u>           | <u>10/5/2005</u> | <u>10/6/2005</u> | <u>10/7/2005</u> | <u>10/10/2005</u> | <u>10/11/2005</u> | <u>10/12/2005</u> | <u>10/13/2005</u> | <u>10/14/2005</u> | <u>10/17/2005</u> | <u>10/18/2005</u> |
|-------------|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|             | <u>Month</u>              | <u>Futures</u>   | <u>Futures</u>   | <u>Futures</u>   | <u>Futures</u>    | <u>Futures</u>    | <u>Futures</u>    | <u>Futures</u>    | <u>Futures</u>    | <u>Futures</u>    | <u>Futures</u>    |
|             |                           | <u>Prices</u>    | <u>Prices</u>    | <u>Prices</u>    | <u>Prices</u>     | <u>Prices</u>     | <u>Prices</u>     | <u>Prices</u>     | <u>Prices</u>     | <u>Prices</u>     | <u>Prices</u>     |
| 1           | Apr-06                    | 10.981           | 10.695           | 10.671           | 10.517            | 10.719            | 10.800            | 10.704            | 10.839            | 11.005            | 10.885            |
| 2           | May-06                    | 10.441           | 10.205           | 10.216           | 10.097            | 10.274            | 10.350            | 10.299            | 10.434            | 10.575            | 10.485            |
| 3           | Jun-06                    | 10.436           | 10.200           | 10.216           | 10.102            | 10.269            | 10.345            | 10.306            | 10.439            | 10.580            | 10.490            |
| 4           | Jul-06                    | 10.461           | 10.225           | 10.246           | 10.132            | 10.299            | 10.375            | 10.336            | 10.469            | 10.610            | 10.522            |
| 5           | Aug-06                    | 10.486           | 10.255           | 10.276           | 10.167            | 10.334            | 10.410            | 10.371            | 10.504            | 10.640            | 10.554            |
| 6           | Sep-06                    | 10.456           | 10.230           | 10.251           | 10.142            | 10.309            | 10.385            | 10.346            | 10.479            | 10.610            | 10.527            |
| 7           | Oct-06                    | 10.481           | 10.260           | 10.281           | 10.177            | 10.339            | 10.415            | 10.376            | 10.509            | 10.640            | 10.557            |
| 8           | Nov-06                    | 10.906           | 10.695           | 10.706           | 10.602            | 10.754            | 10.830            | 10.791            | 10.924            | 11.055            | 10.977            |
| 9           | Dec-06                    | 11.306           | 11.100           | 11.111           | 11.012            | 11.164            | 11.240            | 11.206            | 11.339            | 11.470            | 11.392            |
| 10          | Jan-07                    | 11.616           | 11.420           | 11.431           | 11.332            | 11.474            | 11.550            | 11.516            | 11.649            | 11.780            | 11.702            |
| 11          | Feb-07                    | 11.511           | 11.325           | 11.331           | 11.242            | 11.379            | 11.455            | 11.426            | 11.559            | 11.685            | 11.612            |
| 12          | Mar-07                    | 11.211           | 11.025           | 11.031           | 10.942            | 11.074            | 11.145            | 11.116            | 11.249            | 11.370            | 11.297            |
| 13          | Apr-07                    | 9.051            | 8.885            | 8.891            | 8.832             | 8.894             | 8.965             | 8.956             | 9.059             | 9.140             | 9.067             |
| 14          | May-07                    | 8.661            | 8.495            | 8.491            | 8.447             | 8.494             | 8.565             | 8.561             | 8.659             | 8.740             | 8.687             |
| 15          | Jun-07                    | 8.697            | 8.531            | 8.527            | 8.483             | 8.530             | 8.601             | 8.594             | 8.689             | 8.770             | 8.717             |
| 16          | Jul-07                    | 8.732            | 8.566            | 8.562            | 8.518             | 8.565             | 8.636             | 8.627             | 8.722             | 8.796             | 8.743             |
| 17          | Aug-07                    | 8.767            | 8.601            | 8.597            | 8.553             | 8.600             | 8.671             | 8.660             | 8.755             | 8.826             | 8.773             |
| 18          | Sep-07                    | 8.747            | 8.581            | 8.577            | 8.533             | 8.580             | 8.651             | 8.640             | 8.735             | 8.806             | 8.753             |
| 19          | Oct-07                    | 8.781            | 8.615            | 8.611            | 8.567             | 8.614             | 8.685             | 8.674             | 8.769             | 8.840             | 8.787             |
| 20          | Nov-07                    | 9.241            | 9.075            | 9.071            | 9.027             | 9.074             | 9.150             | 9.139             | 9.234             | 9.305             | 9.252             |
| 21          | Dec-07                    | 9.691            | 9.525            | 9.521            | 9.477             | 9.524             | 9.605             | 9.594             | 9.679             | 9.750             | 9.697             |
| 22          | Jan-08                    | 10.036           | 9.865            | 9.861            | 9.817             | 9.864             | 9.950             | 9.939             | 10.019            | 10.090            | 10.037            |
| 23          | Feb-08                    | 9.966            | 9.795            | 9.791            | 9.747             | 9.784             | 9.870             | 9.859             | 9.934             | 10.000            | 9.947             |
| 24          | Mar-08                    | 9.706            | 9.545            | 9.541            | 9.497             | 9.524             | 9.610             | 9.599             | 9.669             | 9.720             | 9.667             |
| 25          | Apr-08                    | 7.981            | 7.825            | 7.821            | 7.807             | 7.814             | 7.900             | 7.889             | 7.949             | 7.980             | 7.927             |
| 26          | May-08                    | 7.671            | 7.515            | 7.511            | 7.497             | 7.494             | 7.580             | 7.569             | 7.619             | 7.630             | 7.577             |
| 27          | Jun-08                    | 7.716            | 7.560            | 7.556            | 7.542             | 7.534             | 7.620             | 7.609             | 7.654             | 7.665             | 7.612             |
| 28          | Jul-08                    | 7.756            | 7.600            | 7.596            | 7.582             | 7.574             | 7.660             | 7.649             | 7.689             | 7.700             | 7.647             |
| 29          | Aug-08                    | 7.801            | 7.645            | 7.641            | 7.627             | 7.614             | 7.700             | 7.689             | 7.724             | 7.735             | 7.682             |
| 30          | Sep-08                    | 7.791            | 7.635            | 7.631            | 7.617             | 7.604             | 7.690             | 7.679             | 7.709             | 7.720             | 7.667             |
| 31          | Oct-08                    | 7.821            | 7.665            | 7.666            | 7.652             | 7.639             | 7.725             | 7.714             | 7.744             | 7.755             | 7.702             |
| 32          | Nov-08                    | 8.271            | 8.125            | 8.126            | 8.112             | 8.099             | 8.139             | 8.179             | 8.209             | 8.220             | 8.167             |
| 33          | Dec-08                    | 8.721            | 8.575            | 8.576            | 8.562             | 8.549             | 8.592             | 8.634             | 8.664             | 8.675             | 8.622             |
| 34          | Jan-09                    | 9.051            | 8.915            | 8.916            | 8.902             | 8.884             | 8.934             | 8.984             | 9.014             | 9.025             | 8.982             |
| 35          | Feb-09                    | 8.996            | 8.860            | 8.861            | 8.847             | 8.824             | 8.874             | 8.924             | 8.954             | 8.965             | 8.922             |
| 36          | Mar-09                    | 8.731            | 8.595            | 8.596            | 8.582             | 8.554             | 8.604             | 8.654             | 8.684             | 8.695             | 8.652             |
| 37          | 1st Year Avg <sup>1</sup> | 10.858           | 10.636           | 10.647           | 10.539            | 10.699            | 10.775            | 10.733            | 10.866            | 11.002            | 10.917            |
| 38          | 2nd Year Avg <sup>2</sup> | 9.173            | 9.007            | 9.003            | 8.958             | 9.004             | 9.080             | 9.070             | 9.160             | 9.232             | 9.177             |
| 39          | 3rd Year Avg <sup>3</sup> | 8.192            | 8.043            | 8.041            | 8.027             | 8.015             | 8.085             | 8.098             | 8.134             | 8.147             | 8.097             |
| 40          | Total 3-Year Avg          | 9.408            | 9.229            | 9.231            | 9.175             | 9.239             | 9.313             | 9.300             | 9.387             | 9.460             | 9.397             |

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| Line | Contract<br>Month         | 10/19/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 10/20/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 10/21/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 10/24/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 10/25/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 10/26/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 10/27/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 10/28/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 10/31/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 11/1/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices |
|------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1    | Apr-06                    | 10.893                          | 10.584                          | 10.619                          | 10.620                          | 11.159                          | 10.890                          | 10.854                          | 10.737                          | 10.466                          | 10.302                         |
| 2    | May-06                    | 10.503                          | 10.234                          | 10.304                          | 10.320                          | 10.829                          | 10.580                          | 10.559                          | 10.465                          | 10.226                          | 10.059                         |
| 3    | Jun-06                    | 10.510                          | 10.249                          | 10.319                          | 10.337                          | 10.839                          | 10.590                          | 10.577                          | 10.487                          | 10.256                          | 10.089                         |
| 4    | Jul-06                    | 10.544                          | 10.286                          | 10.359                          | 10.377                          | 10.879                          | 10.630                          | 10.619                          | 10.532                          | 10.304                          | 10.137                         |
| 5    | Aug-06                    | 10.578                          | 10.323                          | 10.399                          | 10.417                          | 10.919                          | 10.670                          | 10.664                          | 10.577                          | 10.349                          | 10.182                         |
| 6    | Sep-06                    | 10.553                          | 10.299                          | 10.375                          | 10.395                          | 10.892                          | 10.645                          | 10.639                          | 10.557                          | 10.331                          | 10.167                         |
| 7    | Oct-06                    | 10.583                          | 10.329                          | 10.405                          | 10.427                          | 10.924                          | 10.680                          | 10.674                          | 10.597                          | 10.376                          | 10.212                         |
| 8    | Nov-06                    | 11.003                          | 10.764                          | 10.845                          | 10.872                          | 11.364                          | 11.125                          | 11.124                          | 11.052                          | 10.836                          | 10.672                         |
| 9    | Dec-06                    | 11.423                          | 11.189                          | 11.280                          | 11.307                          | 11.794                          | 11.560                          | 11.559                          | 11.487                          | 11.276                          | 11.112                         |
| 10   | Jan-07                    | 11.733                          | 11.504                          | 11.600                          | 11.627                          | 12.114                          | 11.880                          | 11.884                          | 11.817                          | 11.616                          | 11.457                         |
| 11   | Feb-07                    | 11.643                          | 11.424                          | 11.520                          | 11.547                          | 12.024                          | 11.790                          | 11.794                          | 11.727                          | 11.531                          | 11.372                         |
| 12   | Mar-07                    | 11.328                          | 11.119                          | 11.220                          | 11.247                          | 11.704                          | 11.470                          | 11.484                          | 11.417                          | 11.221                          | 11.062                         |
| 13   | Apr-07                    | 9.078                           | 8.899                           | 9.000                           | 9.027                           | 9.404                           | 9.190                           | 9.204                           | 9.177                           | 9.051                           | 8.902                          |
| 14   | May-07                    | 8.698                           | 8.529                           | 8.660                           | 8.692                           | 9.059                           | 8.865                           | 8.894                           | 8.902                           | 8.796                           | 8.652                          |
| 15   | Jun-07                    | 8.723                           | 8.554                           | 8.690                           | 8.722                           | 9.089                           | 8.895                           | 8.924                           | 8.932                           | 8.831                           | 8.687                          |
| 16   | Jul-07                    | 8.749                           | 8.580                           | 8.716                           | 8.752                           | 9.119                           | 8.930                           | 8.959                           | 8.967                           | 8.871                           | 8.727                          |
| 17   | Aug-07                    | 8.779                           | 8.610                           | 8.746                           | 8.782                           | 9.149                           | 8.960                           | 8.989                           | 8.997                           | 8.906                           | 8.762                          |
| 18   | Sep-07                    | 8.759                           | 8.590                           | 8.726                           | 8.762                           | 9.129                           | 8.940                           | 8.969                           | 8.977                           | 8.889                           | 8.745                          |
| 19   | Oct-07                    | 8.793                           | 8.624                           | 8.760                           | 8.796                           | 9.163                           | 8.974                           | 9.003                           | 9.011                           | 8.926                           | 8.782                          |
| 20   | Nov-07                    | 9.253                           | 9.084                           | 9.220                           | 9.254                           | 9.621                           | 9.432                           | 9.461                           | 9.469                           | 9.386                           | 9.242                          |
| 21   | Dec-07                    | 9.693                           | 9.524                           | 9.660                           | 9.687                           | 10.054                          | 9.867                           | 9.896                           | 9.904                           | 9.821                           | 9.677                          |
| 22   | Jan-08                    | 10.033                          | 9.864                           | 10.000                          | 10.025                          | 10.392                          | 10.205                          | 10.234                          | 10.249                          | 10.166                          | 10.022                         |
| 23   | Feb-08                    | 9.943                           | 9.774                           | 9.900                           | 9.935                           | 10.292                          | 10.105                          | 10.134                          | 10.149                          | 10.071                          | 9.927                          |
| 24   | Mar-08                    | 9.653                           | 9.484                           | 9.600                           | 9.627                           | 9.972                           | 9.785                           | 9.814                           | 9.829                           | 9.766                           | 9.622                          |
| 25   | Apr-08                    | 7.903                           | 7.764                           | 7.875                           | 7.897                           | 8.162                           | 7.985                           | 8.014                           | 8.039                           | 8.016                           | 7.872                          |
| 26   | May-08                    | 7.553                           | 7.414                           | 7.535                           | 7.557                           | 7.822                           | 7.645                           | 7.674                           | 7.729                           | 7.726                           | 7.582                          |
| 27   | Jun-08                    | 7.588                           | 7.454                           | 7.575                           | 7.597                           | 7.862                           | 7.685                           | 7.714                           | 7.769                           | 7.766                           | 7.623                          |
| 28   | Jul-08                    | 7.623                           | 7.491                           | 7.612                           | 7.634                           | 7.899                           | 7.722                           | 7.751                           | 7.806                           | 7.803                           | 7.661                          |
| 29   | Aug-08                    | 7.658                           | 7.529                           | 7.650                           | 7.672                           | 7.937                           | 7.760                           | 7.789                           | 7.844                           | 7.841                           | 7.699                          |
| 30   | Sep-08                    | 7.643                           | 7.514                           | 7.630                           | 7.652                           | 7.917                           | 7.740                           | 7.769                           | 7.824                           | 7.821                           | 7.679                          |
| 31   | Oct-08                    | 7.678                           | 7.549                           | 7.665                           | 7.687                           | 7.952                           | 7.775                           | 7.804                           | 7.859                           | 7.856                           | 7.714                          |
| 32   | Nov-08                    | 8.143                           | 8.014                           | 8.125                           | 8.147                           | 8.412                           | 8.235                           | 8.259                           | 8.324                           | 8.316                           | 8.184                          |
| 33   | Dec-08                    | 8.598                           | 8.469                           | 8.580                           | 8.602                           | 8.867                           | 8.690                           | 8.709                           | 8.784                           | 8.768                           | 8.649                          |
| 34   | Jan-09                    | 8.963                           | 8.839                           | 8.950                           | 8.972                           | 9.237                           | 9.050                           | 9.069                           | 9.157                           | 9.136                           | 9.024                          |
| 35   | Feb-09                    | 8.903                           | 8.779                           | 8.890                           | 8.912                           | 9.157                           | 8.970                           | 8.989                           | 9.077                           | 9.056                           | 8.944                          |
| 36   | Mar-09                    | 8.633                           | 8.509                           | 8.620                           | 8.642                           | 8.857                           | 8.670                           | 8.689                           | 8.777                           | 8.756                           | 8.644                          |
| 37   | 1st Year Avg <sup>1</sup> | 10.941                          | 10.692                          | 10.770                          | 10.791                          | 11.287                          | 11.043                          | 11.036                          | 10.954                          | 10.732                          | 10.569                         |
| 38   | 2nd Year Avg <sup>2</sup> | 9.180                           | 9.010                           | 9.140                           | 9.172                           | 9.537                           | 9.346                           | 9.373                           | 9.380                           | 9.290                           | 9.146                          |
| 39   | 3rd Year Avg <sup>3</sup> | 8.074                           | 7.944                           | 8.059                           | 8.081                           | 8.340                           | 8.161                           | 8.186                           | 8.249                           | 8.238                           | 8.106                          |
| 40   | Total 3-Year Avg          | 9.398                           | 9.215                           | 9.323                           | 9.348                           | 9.721                           | 9.516                           | 9.532                           | 9.528                           | 9.420                           | 9.273                          |

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| Line | Contract<br>Month         | 11/2/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 11/3/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 11/4/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 11/7/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 11/8/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 11/9/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 11/10/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 11/11/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 11/14/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices | 11/15/2005<br>Futures<br>Prices |
|------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1    | Apr-06                    | 10.116                         | 10.079                         | 9.859                          | 10.118                         | 10.041                         | 9.915                          | 9.819                           | 9.991                           | 10.187                          | 10.279                          |
| 2    | May-06                    | 9.881                          | 9.839                          | 9.639                          | 9.888                          | 9.821                          | 9.710                          | 9.639                           | 9.831                           | 10.027                          | 10.119                          |
| 3    | Jun-06                    | 9.911                          | 9.869                          | 9.669                          | 9.918                          | 9.854                          | 9.740                          | 9.672                           | 9.861                           | 10.057                          | 10.149                          |
| 4    | Jul-06                    | 9.961                          | 9.919                          | 9.719                          | 9.968                          | 9.901                          | 9.790                          | 9.722                           | 9.908                           | 10.104                          | 10.194                          |
| 5    | Aug-06                    | 10.006                         | 9.964                          | 9.764                          | 10.013                         | 9.946                          | 9.835                          | 9.762                           | 9.948                           | 10.144                          | 10.232                          |
| 6    | Sep-06                    | 9.991                          | 9.947                          | 9.747                          | 9.996                          | 9.931                          | 9.823                          | 9.752                           | 9.938                           | 10.139                          | 10.232                          |
| 7    | Oct-06                    | 10.041                         | 9.994                          | 9.794                          | 10.041                         | 9.976                          | 9.870                          | 9.802                           | 9.986                           | 10.187                          | 10.279                          |
| 8    | Nov-06                    | 10.506                         | 10.459                         | 10.264                         | 10.511                         | 10.446                         | 10.335                         | 10.267                          | 10.451                          | 10.652                          | 10.744                          |
| 9    | Dec-06                    | 10.956                         | 10.909                         | 10.719                         | 10.966                         | 10.906                         | 10.800                         | 10.732                          | 10.916                          | 11.117                          | 11.209                          |
| 10   | Jan-07                    | 11.311                         | 11.264                         | 11.079                         | 11.326                         | 11.271                         | 11.112                         | 11.170                          | 11.296                          | 11.497                          | 11.579                          |
| 11   | Feb-07                    | 11.231                         | 11.184                         | 11.004                         | 11.251                         | 11.196                         | 11.110                         | 11.052                          | 11.231                          | 11.432                          | 11.519                          |
| 12   | Mar-07                    | 10.926                         | 10.874                         | 10.699                         | 10.946                         | 10.886                         | 10.815                         | 10.757                          | 10.926                          | 11.127                          | 11.209                          |
| 13   | Apr-07                    | 8.776                          | 8.719                          | 8.599                          | 8.776                          | 8.656                          | 8.595                          | 8.567                           | 8.701                           | 8.887                           | 8.954                           |
| 14   | May-07                    | 8.536                          | 8.464                          | 8.379                          | 8.546                          | 8.426                          | 8.365                          | 8.352                           | 8.488                           | 8.677                           | 8.749                           |
| 15   | Jun-07                    | 8.571                          | 8.494                          | 8.409                          | 8.576                          | 8.456                          | 8.400                          | 8.387                           | 8.523                           | 8.712                           | 8.784                           |
| 16   | Jul-07                    | 8.611                          | 8.524                          | 8.439                          | 8.606                          | 8.496                          | 8.440                          | 8.427                           | 8.558                           | 8.747                           | 8.824                           |
| 17   | Aug-07                    | 8.651                          | 8.564                          | 8.479                          | 8.646                          | 8.536                          | 8.475                          | 8.467                           | 8.598                           | 8.787                           | 8.864                           |
| 18   | Sep-07                    | 8.636                          | 8.549                          | 8.464                          | 8.631                          | 8.521                          | 8.455                          | 8.447                           | 8.578                           | 8.772                           | 8.849                           |
| 19   | Oct-07                    | 8.676                          | 8.589                          | 8.504                          | 8.671                          | 8.563                          | 8.495                          | 8.487                           | 8.618                           | 8.812                           | 8.889                           |
| 20   | Nov-07                    | 9.136                          | 9.049                          | 8.984                          | 9.146                          | 9.038                          | 8.970                          | 8.962                           | 9.093                           | 9.282                           | 9.364                           |
| 21   | Dec-07                    | 9.571                          | 9.489                          | 9.439                          | 9.611                          | 9.508                          | 9.440                          | 9.432                           | 9.563                           | 9.752                           | 9.834                           |
| 22   | Jan-08                    | 9.916                          | 9.833                          | 9.783                          | 9.986                          | 9.878                          | 9.810                          | 9.802                           | 9.933                           | 10.122                          | 10.209                          |
| 23   | Feb-08                    | 9.826                          | 9.717                          | 9.676                          | 9.886                          | 9.803                          | 9.735                          | 9.737                           | 9.863                           | 10.057                          | 10.144                          |
| 24   | Mar-08                    | 9.526                          | 9.401                          | 9.373                          | 9.586                          | 9.503                          | 9.435                          | 9.427                           | 9.548                           | 9.742                           | 9.839                           |
| 25   | Apr-08                    | 7.786                          | 7.651                          | 7.603                          | 7.796                          | 7.683                          | 7.615                          | 7.607                           | 7.708                           | 7.892                           | 7.959                           |
| 26   | May-08                    | 7.526                          | 7.381                          | 7.323                          | 7.531                          | 7.448                          | 7.390                          | 7.392                           | 7.503                           | 7.682                           | 7.739                           |
| 27   | Jun-08                    | 7.571                          | 7.431                          | 7.373                          | 7.581                          | 7.498                          | 7.440                          | 7.442                           | 7.553                           | 7.732                           | 7.789                           |
| 28   | Jul-08                    | 7.611                          | 7.476                          | 7.418                          | 7.626                          | 7.543                          | 7.485                          | 7.487                           | 7.598                           | 7.777                           | 7.834                           |
| 29   | Aug-08                    | 7.651                          | 7.521                          | 7.463                          | 7.671                          | 7.583                          | 7.525                          | 7.527                           | 7.638                           | 7.817                           | 7.874                           |
| 30   | Sep-08                    | 7.636                          | 7.506                          | 7.448                          | 7.656                          | 7.563                          | 7.505                          | 7.507                           | 7.618                           | 7.797                           | 7.854                           |
| 31   | Oct-08                    | 7.676                          | 7.546                          | 7.488                          | 7.696                          | 7.603                          | 7.545                          | 7.547                           | 7.658                           | 7.837                           | 7.894                           |
| 32   | Nov-08                    | 8.156                          | 8.036                          | 7.988                          | 8.196                          | 8.093                          | 8.035                          | 8.037                           | 8.148                           | 8.327                           | 8.384                           |
| 33   | Dec-08                    | 8.631                          | 8.521                          | 8.483                          | 8.691                          | 8.578                          | 8.520                          | 8.522                           | 8.633                           | 8.812                           | 8.869                           |
| 34   | Jan-09                    | 9.016                          | 8.921                          | 8.888                          | 9.096                          | 8.983                          | 8.925                          | 8.927                           | 9.038                           | 9.202                           | 9.259                           |
| 35   | Feb-09                    | 8.936                          | 8.841                          | 8.808                          | 9.016                          | 8.903                          | 8.845                          | 8.847                           | 8.958                           | 9.122                           | 9.179                           |
| 36   | Mar-09                    | 8.636                          | 8.541                          | 8.508                          | 8.716                          | 8.603                          | 8.545                          | 8.547                           | 8.658                           | 8.822                           | 8.879                           |
| 37   | 1st Year Avg <sup>1</sup> | 10.403                         | 10.358                         | 10.163                         | 10.412                         | 10.348                         | 10.243                         | 10.174                          | 10.357                          | 10.556                          | 10.645                          |
| 38   | 2nd Year Avg <sup>2</sup> | 9.036                          | 8.949                          | 8.878                          | 9.056                          | 8.949                          | 8.885                          | 8.875                           | 9.005                           | 9.198                           | 9.275                           |
| 39   | 3rd Year Avg <sup>3</sup> | 8.069                          | 7.948                          | 7.899                          | 8.106                          | 8.007                          | 7.948                          | 7.949                           | 8.059                           | 8.235                           | 8.293                           |
| 40   | Total 3-Year Avg          | 9.169                          | 9.085                          | 8.980                          | 9.191                          | 9.101                          | 9.025                          | 8.999                           | 9.141                           | 9.329                           | 9.404                           |

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(APRIL 2006 - MARCH 2009)**

|      |                           | 11/16/2005        | 11/17/2005        | 11/18/2005        | 11/21/2005        | 11/22/2005        | 11/23/2005        | 11/28/2005        | 11/29/2005        | 11/30/2005        |
|------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Line | Contract<br>Month         | Futures<br>Prices | Futures<br>Prices | Futures<br>Prices | Futures<br>Prices | Futures<br>Prices | Futures<br>Prices | Futures<br>Prices | Futures<br>Prices | Futures<br>Prices |
| 1    | Apr-06                    | 10.653            | 10.440            | 10.161            | 10.100            | 10.249            | 10.220            | 10.004            | 10.017            | 10.431            |
| 2    | May-06                    | 10.473            | 10.260            | 10.001            | 9.960             | 10.109            | 10.080            | 9.889             | 9.902             | 10.291            |
| 3    | Jun-06                    | 10.500            | 10.287            | 10.031            | 9.993             | 10.144            | 10.115            | 9.924             | 9.937             | 10.326            |
| 4    | Jul-06                    | 10.543            | 10.332            | 10.076            | 10.038            | 10.189            | 10.160            | 9.969             | 9.984             | 10.371            |
| 5    | Aug-06                    | 10.580            | 10.372            | 10.119            | 10.081            | 10.229            | 10.200            | 10.009            | 10.025            | 10.411            |
| 6    | Sep-06                    | 10.573            | 10.365            | 10.119            | 10.081            | 10.229            | 10.197            | 10.009            | 10.027            | 10.408            |
| 7    | Oct-06                    | 10.618            | 10.410            | 10.167            | 10.129            | 10.277            | 10.245            | 10.057            | 10.075            | 10.456            |
| 8    | Nov-06                    | 11.083            | 10.885            | 10.642            | 10.604            | 10.752            | 10.720            | 10.537            | 10.555            | 10.931            |
| 9    | Dec-06                    | 11.548            | 11.360            | 11.117            | 11.079            | 11.227            | 11.195            | 11.017            | 11.035            | 11.406            |
| 10   | Jan-07                    | 11.918            | 11.740            | 11.497            | 11.459            | 11.607            | 11.575            | 11.402            | 11.420            | 11.781            |
| 11   | Feb-07                    | 11.853            | 11.680            | 11.437            | 11.404            | 11.547            | 11.515            | 11.352            | 11.368            | 11.721            |
| 12   | Mar-07                    | 11.538            | 11.370            | 11.132            | 11.099            | 11.242            | 11.210            | 11.052            | 11.068            | 11.426            |
| 13   | Apr-07                    | 9.218             | 9.050             | 8.872             | 8.869             | 9.012             | 8.942             | 8.938             | 9.236             |                   |
| 14   | May-07                    | 9.008             | 8.840             | 8.672             | 8.674             | 8.812             | 8.800             | 8.762             | 8.758             | 9.031             |
| 15   | Jun-07                    | 9.043             | 8.885             | 8.717             | 8.719             | 8.854             | 8.842             | 8.807             | 8.803             | 9.076             |
| 16   | Jul-07                    | 9.083             | 8.925             | 8.757             | 8.759             | 8.896             | 8.884             | 8.852             | 8.848             | 9.121             |
| 17   | Aug-07                    | 9.123             | 8.965             | 8.797             | 8.799             | 8.936             | 8.924             | 8.892             | 8.888             | 9.161             |
| 18   | Sep-07                    | 9.108             | 8.955             | 8.792             | 8.794             | 8.931             | 8.919             | 8.892             | 8.888             | 9.161             |
| 19   | Oct-07                    | 9.148             | 9.000             | 8.837             | 8.839             | 8.976             | 8.964             | 8.942             | 8.938             | 9.211             |
| 20   | Nov-07                    | 9.633             | 9.490             | 9.332             | 9.334             | 9.466             | 9.454             | 9.437             | 9.433             | 9.701             |
| 21   | Dec-07                    | 10.103            | 9.965             | 9.817             | 9.819             | 9.946             | 9.929             | 9.917             | 9.913             | 10.176            |
| 22   | Jan-08                    | 10.479            | 10.341            | 10.197            | 10.199            | 10.321            | 10.304            | 10.292            | 10.288            | 10.541            |
| 23   | Feb-08                    | 10.409            | 10.271            | 10.127            | 10.139            | 10.256            | 10.239            | 10.237            | 10.228            | 10.471            |
| 24   | Mar-08                    | 10.099            | 9.961             | 9.822             | 9.834             | 9.946             | 9.929             | 9.942             | 9.923             | 10.151            |
| 25   | Apr-08                    | 8.179             | 8.041             | 7.922             | 7.954             | 8.036             | 8.019             | 8.052             | 8.013             | 8.171             |
| 26   | May-08                    | 7.959             | 7.821             | 7.702             | 7.754             | 7.831             | 7.814             | 7.877             | 7.838             | 7.986             |
| 27   | Jun-08                    | 8.009             | 7.871             | 7.752             | 7.804             | 7.881             | 7.864             | 7.927             | 7.886             | 8.034             |
| 28   | Jul-08                    | 8.054             | 7.916             | 7.797             | 7.849             | 7.926             | 7.909             | 7.972             | 7.929             | 8.077             |
| 29   | Aug-08                    | 8.094             | 7.956             | 7.837             | 7.889             | 7.966             | 7.949             | 8.012             | 7.964             | 8.112             |
| 30   | Sep-08                    | 8.074             | 7.936             | 7.817             | 7.874             | 7.951             | 7.934             | 8.007             | 7.956             | 8.104             |
| 31   | Oct-08                    | 8.114             | 7.976             | 7.857             | 7.924             | 8.001             | 7.984             | 8.057             | 8.003             | 8.151             |
| 32   | Nov-08                    | 8.599             | 8.466             | 8.344             | 8.411             | 8.488             | 8.467             | 8.542             | 8.488             | 8.631             |
| 33   | Dec-08                    | 9.079             | 8.955             | 8.830             | 8.897             | 8.974             | 8.949             | 9.027             | 8.973             | 9.106             |
| 34   | Jan-09                    | 9.469             | 9.343             | 9.217             | 9.284             | 9.361             | 9.334             | 9.417             | 9.363             | 9.491             |
| 35   | Feb-09                    | 9.389             | 9.268             | 9.147             | 9.224             | 9.301             | 9.269             | 9.362             | 9.303             | 9.431             |
| 36   | Mar-09                    | 9.089             | 8.968             | 8.847             | 8.924             | 9.001             | 8.959             | 9.067             | 8.998             | 9.126             |
| 37   | 1st Year Avg <sup>1</sup> | 10.990            | 10.792            | 10.542            | 10.502            | 10.650            | 10.619            | 10.435            | 10.451            | 10.830            |
| 38   | 2nd Year Avg <sup>2</sup> | 9.538             | 9.387             | 9.228             | 9.232             | 9.363             | 9.349             | 9.326             | 9.321             | 9.586             |
| 39   | 3rd Year Avg <sup>3</sup> | 8.509             | 8.376             | 8.256             | 8.316             | 8.393             | 8.371             | 8.443             | 8.393             | 8.535             |
| 40   | Total 3-Year Avg          | 9.679             | 9.518             | 9.342             | 9.350             | 9.469             | 9.446             | 9.402             | 9.388             | 9.650             |

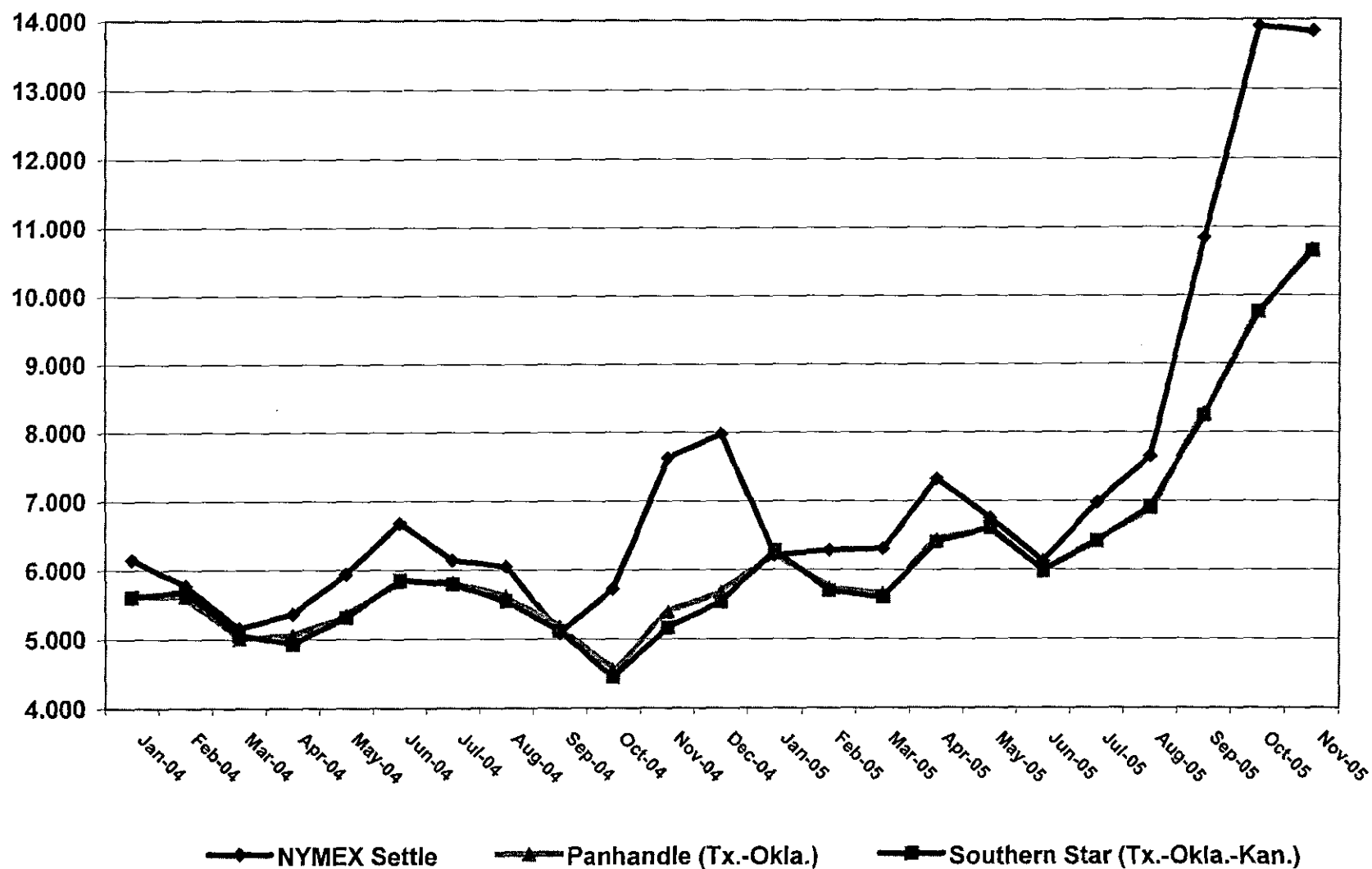
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