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Rebuttal Testimony

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FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING REPORTS.....1

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI REBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF BEVERLEE R. AGUT ON BEHALF OF AQUILA, INC.

D/B/A AQUILA NETWORKS-MPS CASE NOS. ER-2004-0034

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1	Q.	Please state your name and business address.
2	A.	My name is Beverlee R. Agut and my business address is 10700 East 350 Highway,
3		Kansas City, Missouri 64138.
4	Q.	Are you the same Beverlee R. Agut who sponsored direct testimony in this proceeding
5		before the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission")?
6	А.	Yes.
7	Q.	What is the purpose of your rebuttal testimony in this proceeding?
8	A.	The purpose of my testimony is to respond to allegations made by witness Ted Robertson
9		for the Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC") regarding the financial accounting reports
10		of Aquila ("Company").
11		FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING REPORTS
12	Q.	What are the specific issues raised by Mr. Robertson that you are addressing?
13	A.	I will specifically be addressing Mr. Robertson claims that:
14		1. The Company has been unable to produce a usable monthly detailed general
15		ledger report.
16		2. Reliance on utility employees for access to financial data hinders an audit.
17		3. The Company's financial accounting system has not been set up to focus on
18		regulated utility accounting information.

1	Q.	Has Mr. Robertson raised these issues before in prior Aquila rate cases?
2	A.	Yes, and it is extremely frustrating that he keeps continues to raise the same issues without
3		offering any specific evidence or constructive ideas for improvement.
4	Q.	What efforts has the Company made to ensure that all external parties were provided with
5		general ledger information they required to conduct an independent audit?
.6	A.	As part of the pre-hearing conference in Missouri Public Service's ("MPS") last rate case
7		No. ER-2001-672, I met with Messrs. Steve Traxler of the Commission Staff ("Staff")
8		and Ted Robertson of the OPC to define what they would consider a "usable" general
9		ledger report. Based on their definitions, new general ledger reports were created as part
10		of the Stipulation and Agreement for MPS
11		A. MPS division-specific ledgers on a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
12		("FERC") account basis that include both direct and allocated costs by resource code;
13		B. MPS division-specific ledgers on a FERC account basis that reflect only
14		direct charges to the divisions by resource code;
15		C. MPS division-specific ledgers on a FERC account basis that reflect only
16		costs allocated to the divisions by resource code;
17		D. Plant and Depreciation Reserve ledgers for the MPS and SJLP divisions that show
18		beginning month balances, additions, and retirements, and ending month balances;
19		E. UtiliCorp (now Aquila) Enterprise Support Function ("ESF") and Intercompany
20		Business Unit ("IBU") department costs allocated to the MPS divisions on
21		a resource code basis; and

F. ESF and IBU department costs, by resource code, which are not subject to allocation to the MPS **sector** visions. These non-allocated costs are also known as corporate retained costs.

These reports were provided to Staff and OPC in response to data information requests in 4 5 this proceeding. Two meetings were subsequently held with both parties—once on 6 August 16, 2002, and again on May 15, 2003, whereby the new reports were presented 7 and explained. Neither party provided any written, formal comments regarding these 8 reports nor asked for any modifications to the reports. It appears the Staff was able to use 9 these general ledger reports along with supplemental information to create a comprehensive revenue requirement calculation including proposed adjustments in this 10 proceeding. Since August 16, 2002, including the audit timeframe for this case, Mr. 11 Robertson has never provided any formal comments or suggestions for improvements or 12 13 modifications of the reports nor has he requested any additional general ledger reports. I was very surprised to learn that he had again filed testimony on this subject in this 14 15 proceeding. Since filing his direct testimony in this proceeding, has Mr. Robertson provided any 16 Q.

17 specific details regarding the type of reporting format he requires?

18 A. In response to a recent Aquila data request, Mr. Robertson provided a representative design
19 for a general ledger report that he desires.

20 Q. What is Mr. Robertson's definition of a general ledger?

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1 A. On page 5 of Mr. Robertson's direct testimony, he describes a general ledger as 2 containing "detailed" source transactions for financial data containing a complete 3 descriptive listing of all vendors and/or charges and their associated costs. 4 Q. Do you agree with Mr. Robertson's general ledger definition? 5 Α. No. In reality, large corporations, such as Aquila, post summarized "batch" transactions to 6 their ledger. An example of a batch posting would be payroll postings. Aquila employees 7 are paid on a bi-weekly basis. The bi-weekly payrolls are posted to the ledger in a 8 summarized or "batch" type mode. This type of posting then would not allow anyone 9 examining the payroll posting to be able to obtain the payments made to any one individual 10 employee. For confidentiality reasons, one could see the benefits to posting payroll in a 11 batch mode. It is common for the details to actually be held in the subsidiary ledgers, or in 12 Aquila's case, the subsidiary system modules. The details, i.e., payments to individual 13 employees, for batch payroll postings can be derived from the Payroll system. This is true 14 for all other types of batch postings such as Accounts Payable (vendor specific details), 15 Accounts Receivable (customer specific details), Project Costing, Fixed Assets, Inventory, 16 etc. Therefore, the general ledger is synonymous with its name as it contains "general" 17 financial data, not detailed financial data. Q. 18 Were any reports provided in this case in support of these detailed subsidiary systems? 19 Α. The OPC never issued any data requests for detailed reports. However, we did respond to

Staff data requests for detailed information. We provided information to the Staff of
 detailed Payroll transactions by employee by pay date (MPSC-75.3), detailed Accounts
 Payable transactions by vendor by date for corporate overhead allocations (MPSC-219),

1		and detailed transactions by employee, by vendor, by business purpose for corporate
2		employee business expenses (MPSC-219).
3	Q.	Did the prior MPS general ledger system perform batch processing and postings?
4	A.	Yes it did.
5	Q.	What other utility companies utilize batch transaction posting to their ledgers?
6	A.	I contacted accounting personnel at The Empire District Electric Company, Ameren,
7	·	Missouri Gas Energy, and Kansas City Power & Light Company. All of these utility
8		companies utilize batch transaction postings to their general ledgers. In addition, the prior
9		St. Joseph Light & Power Company general ledger utilized batch transaction postings.
10	Q.	Has Aquila provided a monthly general ledger report to the OPC that is different than the
11		reports listed in the Stipulation and Agreement of Case No. ER-2001-672?
12	А.	Yes. In the last MPS rate case (No. ER-2001-672), a general ledger report was prepared
13		and presented to the OPC. The report was voluminous and consisted of approximately 20
14		boxes of paper. It contained exactly the information as processed in the ledger. It is my
15		understanding, the OPC found this report unusable, and hence, it was not created again
16		during the course of the audit in the current case. A sample of this report is attached to
17		my rebuttal testimony and labeled Rebuttal Schedule BRA-1, FERC Trial Balance
18		Activity Report, internally named "GLS1515". In lieu of this report, we created new
19		standard reports as listed in Case No. ER-2001-672's Stipulation and Agreement. Several
20		of the new standard general ledger reports were attached to my direct testimony in this
21		proceeding listed as Schedules BRA-1 through BRA-8.

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Q.	Earlier you mentioned that Mr. Robertson provided a sample general ledger report in
	response to a recent Aquila data request. How does the recently defined report differ
	from the report attached and designated Rebuttal Schedule BRA-1?
А.	I have attached a copy of Mr. Robertson's response, designated Rebuttal Schedule BRA-2.
	When I compared the GLS1515 report with the one Mr. Robertson created, the only
	apparent changes that would be required based upon our financial accounting system's
	general ledger fields are listed below. Since our general ledger posts in a batch mode, the
	invoice specific information is not contained in the general ledger, but rather in the
	subsidiary Accounts Payable system.
	1. Remove supplementary coding information. Specifically, delete code block columns
	labeled for Process ("Proc"), Resource Code ("Resrc"), Source Department ("Dept"),
	Charge to Department ("Chrg Dept"), Product ("Product"), and Affiliate ("Affl").
	2. Add an additional column for Journal Line Description (the field that holds the voucher
	number and vendor name).
	3. If possible, combine the debit and credit amounts into one column whereby debit
	equals positive amount and credit would be prefaced with a negative ("-") sign. This
	change would merely be for visual purposes.
	Although these changes could be made to the GLS1515 report, it would still not decrease
	the number of lines in the report, i.e., we would still be back to the 20 boxes of paper. In
	lieu of 20 boxes of paper, the data could be provided electronically in the form of a flat
	file. This is the format chosen by the IRS, to which we provide information on an annual
	basis. They then load the flat file into their own audit software.

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1	Q.	Has the FERC Trial Balance Activity Report, GLS1515, Rebuttal Schedule BRA-1, been
2		utilized by any other regulatory body?
3	A.	Yes, this general ledger report was utilized by the Michigan Public Service Commission
4		Staff in their audit of our recent Michigan rate increase application approved March 12,
5		2003. I would like to add that the Michigan Commission Staff also conducted their entire
6		financial audit off-site by utilization of this general ledger report and additional information
7		provided by employees through data information requests, including requests for additional
8		financial data detail.
9	Q.	On page 5 of his direct testimony, Mr. Robertson states that sole reliance on utility
10		employees for access to financial data seriously hinders an audit. Do you agree?
11	A.	I do not agree with Mr. Robertson. It is common for employees to provide additional
12		detailed financial information and analysis in support of its financial reports during the
13		context of an audit. During 2002 and 2003, Aquila was involved with numerous external
14		auditors representing the FERC, IRS, and KPMG. None of these external audit groups
15		identified material weaknesses in internal controls relating to the financial reports,
16		accounting system, or additional financial detail provided by Aquila employees.
17	Q.	Did Aquila take any additional measures to ensure the auditors' independence in this
18		case?
19	A.	On October 6, 2003, Aquila developed a new financial accounting screen through our
20		PeopleSoft software which allowed electronic computer on-line access viewing to all
21		income statement related financial accounting transactions for its enterprise support
22		function, networks headquarters, MPS, generations. This on-line access also

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1		included detail for all employee business expenses and all accounts payable transactions
2		(actual invoice showing vendor, transaction date, business purpose). It allowed the auditor
3		to selectively view smaller amounts of data at a time based on the auditor's selection
4		criteria. The access was made available twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, to both
5		the Staff and OPC auditors at our Raytown facility.
6	Q.	You previously stated that this on-line viewing access was restricted to your Raytown
7		facility. Why couldn't this access be granted to others off-site, for example in Jefferson
8		City?
9	A.	It is currently against Company policy to allow access to Company systems/resources
10		from non-Aquila computers. Specifically, this addresses the virus protection that is
11		maintained on these computers and the technical support of the computers should there be
12		a problem. We are compelled to secure our data by various government agencies to
13		prevent tampering. Broader external access would require technical evaluation and
14		security assessment. In addition, we may need to acquire additional physical resources to
15		accomplish off-site access or enter into a contract with a third party to provide technical
16		support to the computers in the city in which they are located.
17	Q.	Does Aquila's financial accounting system take into consideration regulatory accounting
18		requirements?
19	А.	Aquila's financial accounting system was designed with specific regulatory accounting
20		requirements in mind for the seven-state operating area to which Aquila provides natural
21		gas and electricity. I believe Mr. Robertson is confused about the complexity of Aquila's
22		financial accounting system. He states that it was designed with the non-regulated business

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1 in mind and not the regulated utility business. In fact, the complexities are due to Aquila's 2 seven-state regulated utility service area, not the straightforward needs of its non-regulated 3 operations. Specifically, Aquila has developed a complex allocations process that records 4 in its general ledger allocations associated with corporate overheads as well as utility 5 allocations (electric, gas, industrial steam, and non-regulated appliance repair). We utilize 6 approximately 22 different allocation drivers for allocating corporate overheads. Although 7 it has been implied that most overheads are allocated based on the Massachusetts Formula 8 (net plant, gross margin, and payroll charged to expense), this statement is in fact false. 9 Only 27% of costs are allocated on the generic Massachusetts Formula. The remaining 10 overhead costs are allocated on 21 other specific drivers, for example, number of paychecks issued, number of journal line transactions, number of customers, net energy sales, gross 11 12 property, number of computers supported, right-of-way projects by state, Mw capacity, 13 employee headcount, etc. To the best of my knowledge, I do not know of any other utility 14 in the state of Missouri that performs as complex of an allocations process or utilizes as 15 many specific cost allocation drivers compared to Aquila. This process was designed with 16 specific regulated utility requirements of equity and fairness in mind for distributing 17 overhead costs to our seven state service area. This complex allocations process was 18 implemented in 1997 and is detailed in Aquila's Cost Allocation Manual ("CAM") which is 19 filed annually with each of Aquila's state Commissions including Missouri. Certainly, a 20 non-regulated business would have no need of such a complex allocations process. Are there any other areas of your financial accounting system specifically designed for a 21 Q. 22 regulated utility?

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1	А.	Yes. Since utilities are capital-intensive in nature and have specific accounting guidelines
2		for self-constructed plant assets, Aquila has complex project costing and asset
3		management systems to track these assets. The Accounting requirements for these assets
4		are defined in Section 18 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 101 (Electric Plant
5		Instructions) and Part 201 (Gas Plant Instructions). Again, the non-regulated merchant
6		trading business has absolutely no need for these complex accounting systems.
7	Q.	On page 8 of his direct testimony, Mr. Robertson states that the Company's accounting
8		system is complicated and unhelpful to regulated auditors. How do you respond?
9	А.	The accounting system is complicated not due to any requirements of our non-regulated
10		businesses, but rather due to the accounting rule complexities in the Code of Federal
11		Regulations for public utilities as well as the regulatory requirements for seven different
12		state jurisdictions. Aquila has interacted with numerous external financial audit entities,
13		and none have determined any material weaknesses in our accounting system or financial
14		reports.
15	Q.	Does this conclude your rebuttal testimony?

16 A. Yes.

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AQUILA, INC. CASE NO. ER-2004-0034 DATA REQUEST NO. ILA-0008 TO MISSOURI OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC COUNSEL

DATE OF REQUEST: December 11, 2003

DATE DUE: January 12, 2004

REQUESTOR: Bev Agut

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Accounting Record-Keeping

QUESTION:

A. Does the OPC have any specific issues regarding the level of detail captured in Aquila's current financial accounting system or are the issues outlined in the direct testimony of Ted Robertson solely related to reporting format? If the issues pertain to the level of detail captured in the financial accounting system, please state specifically what Mr. Robertson believes should be changed?

B. Is there a general ledger detail reporting format used by any other regulated utility in the state of Missouri that meets Mr. Robertson's approval or audit needs? If so, please provide the name of the utility or utilities, the financial accounting software utilized, and a sample of the general ledger reporting format. Note: It is understood that the financial information of another utility is considered highly confidential. However, a "mock" reporting format can be created utilizing column header, row descriptions, journal descriptions, etc. that are generic in nature.

RESPONSE:

A. OPC's primary concern, at this time, is the reporting format. However, if it is determined that the Company's accounting systems do not capture the data necessary to develop and create a detailed general ledger for the Missouri regulated operations, then data capture issues should also be addressed.

B. It is OPC's understanding that most, if not all, Missouri regulated utilities of any size (e.g., Ameren, Missouri Gas Energy, Missouri Water Company, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, etc.), excepting Aquila, produce some form of a detailed general ledger. The accounting software programs utilized by the utilities are diverse. Please see the attached representation of a detailed general ledger currently in use by a large Missouri regulated utility.

ATTACHMENT:

Attachment to DR ILA0008.xls



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ANSWERED BY: Ted Robertson

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Representative Detailed General Ledger Example:

	<u>Co.</u>	<u>Main</u>	<u>Sub</u>			FY Period		Vendor#	Vendor Name	Inv. #/P.O. #/Item Code	Inv. Date
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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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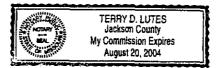
AFFIDAVIT OF BEVERLEE R. AGUT

Beverlee R. Agut, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is the witness who sponsors the accompanying testimony entitled "Rebuttal Testimony of Beverlee R. Agut;" that said testimony was prepared by her and under her direction and supervision; that if inquiries were made as to the facts in said testimony and schedules, she would respond as therein set forth; and that the aforesaid testimony and schedules are true and correct to the best of her knowledge, information, and belief.

<u>Beverlee Kagu</u> Beverlee R. Agut

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 261 day of

Notary Public Terry D. Lutes



My Commission expires:

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