

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Aquila, Inc.,)	Application No. NG-0007.2
d/b/a Aquila Networks)	
(Aquila), Omaha, seeking)	ORDER GRANTING WAIVER OF
waiver of notice and)	NOTICE AND PUBLICATION AND
publication, and to implement)	APPROVING PROPOSED TARIFF
tariff change permitting)	CHANGE
deposit waiver during periods)	
of customer hardship for all)	
rate areas.)	Entered: April 4, 2006

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

On March 31, 2006, Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks (Aquila), Omaha, filed Proposed Changes in Tariffs and sought waiver of notice and publication pursuant to the State Natural Gas Regulation Act, *Neb. Rev. Stat. § 66-1808 (2004 Cum. Supp.)*.

The proposed change to Index No. 2 of the Aquila tariff would give Aquila the discretion to "waive or suspend the Customer deposit requirement for a reasonable period of time during periods of Customer extreme hardship in order to avoid disconnection of Customer's natural gas service or to promote additional Customer reconnections."

Pursuant to Neb. Admin. Code, Title 291, Ch. 9, Rule 11.05 (2003), the cold weather period ended on March 31, 2006. Aquila anticipates mailing numerous disconnection notices. Aquila wishes to offer a waiver of the customer deposit requirement during April 2006 in order to assist customers in avoiding disconnections and getting reconnected to service after the end of the cold weather period.

The Commission finds that Aquila's intent to offer waivers during the month of April to assist customers after the conclusion of the cold weather period constitutes good cause to waive notice and publication of the proposed tariff change.

The Commission being fully advised in the premises, further finds that the Revised Tariff Sheet should be approved effective April 1, 2006.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Aquila's intent to offer waivers during the month of April to assist customers after the conclusion of the cold weather period constitutes good cause to waive notice and publication of the proposed tariff change.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Aquila's Revised Tariff Sheet filed March 31, 2006, is approved effective April 1, 2006.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 4th day of April, 2006.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director