

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Aquila, Inc.,) Application No. NG-0034
d/b/a Aquila Networks (Aquila),)
Omaha, seeking authority for Gas)
Cost Adjustment "Fixed Price) PREHEARING CONFERENCE ORDER
Option Pilot Program" for resi-)
dential customers in all Aquila)
rate areas in the state of)
Nebraska.) Entered: February 7, 2006

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

On December 30, 2005, Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks (Aquila), Omaha, Nebraska, filed an application seeking authority to implement a Gas Cost Adjustment "Fixed Price Option Pilot Program" for residential customers in all Aquila rate areas in the state of Nebraska. Petitions for Formal Intervention were filed by the Public Advocate and Kinder Morgan, Inc. (Kinder Morgan).

A prehearing conference was held on February 6, 2006, with all interested parties.

Hearing on this matter is scheduled for **February 23, 2006, at 2:30 p.m.** in the Commission Hearing Room, 1200 N Street, Suite 300, Lincoln, Nebraska. Parties have agreed to meet to attempt to resolve any outstanding issues or questions and will file any stipulations prior to the hearing.

The applicant further agreed to arrange for a court reporter for the hearing.

A hearing fee of one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) for each half-day of hearing will be charged to the applicant payable upon billing from the Executive Director of the Public Service Commission (*Neb. Rev. Stat. §75-128, Reissue 2003*).

If auxiliary aids or reasonable accommodations are needed for attendance at the hearing, please call the Commission at (402) 471-3101. For people with hearing/speech impairments, please call the Commission at (402) 471-0213 (TDD) or the Nebraska Relay System at (800) 833-7352 (TDD) or (800) 833-0920 (Voice). Advance notice of at least seven days is needed when requesting an interpreter.

Any remaining pre-hearing issues that the parties would like to address should be brought before the Commission prior to hearing.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Hearing Officer in the above-captioned matter that the foregoing items decided at the prehearing conference are hereby adopted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a hearing in Application No. NG-0034 will be held on **February 23, 2006, at 2:30 p.m.** in the Commission Hearing Room/Library, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 7th day of February, 2006.

BY:

HEARING OFFICER