BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Aquila, Inc. d/b/a)	Application No. NG-0041
Aquila Networks (Aquila), Omaha,)	
seeking individual rate increases)	
for Aquila's Rate Area One, Rate)	AMENDED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE
Area Two, and Rate Area Three.)	
)	Entered: February 28, 2007

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

On November 15, 2006, Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks (Aquila) filed an application seeking individual general rate increases for Aquila's Rate Area One, Rate Area Two, and Rate Area Three. After a planning conference, the Commission entered an order on January 9, 2007, in this matter setting a procedural schedule.

Aquila's application presents what appear to be significant policy issues including, but not limited to, the establishment of a weather normalization factor, a revenue normalization factor, and limited cost recovery.

In order to ensure that the Commission and the parties have sufficient opportunity to properly address these and other significant policy issues implicated by this application, the hearing officer finds that the previously adopted procedural schedule be amended.

A preliminary report by the Commission's retained consultant shall be filed no later than March 23, 2007. The preliminary report will identify any significant policy issues implicated by Aquila's application and any preliminary recommendations. The report will be shared with all parties. A prehearing conference shall also be scheduled for April 18, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. CDT in the Commission Library, 1200 N Street, Suite 300, Lincoln, Nebraska. The necessity of the filing of any response to the consultant's preliminary report will be discussed at the prehearing conference.

Based upon the above, the following schedule shall apply:

- 1) All data requests, requests for information, and notices of deposition shall be served upon Aquila no later than March 1, 2007;
- Formal Intervenors' testimony, work papers, and exhibits shall be filed no later than March 16, 2007;
- Objections to Formal Intervenors' testimony, work papers, and exhibits shall be filed no later than March 27, 2007;

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- 4) Responses to the objections filed with respect to Formal Intervenors' testimony, work papers, and exhibits shall be filed no later than **April 3, 2007**;
- 5) Aquila shall submit all data requests, requests for information, and notices of deposition on or before April 5, 2007;
- 6) Preliminary Report filed by Commission consultant no later than **April 13, 2007**;
- 7) Prehearing Conference held at the Commission on April 18, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. CDT in the Commission Library;
- 8) Aquila, Formal Intervenors' and Commission staff shall submit any supplemental discovery requests prior to April 24, 2007;
- 9) Aquila's rebuttal testimony and exhibits shall be filed no later than May 8, 2007;
- 10) Objections to Aquila's rebuttal testimony and exhibits shall be filed no later than May 18, 2007;
- 11) Responses to the objections filed with respect to Aquila's rebuttal testimony, work papers, and exhibits shall be filed no later than May 22, 2007.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the above deadlines are hereby adopted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a prehearing conference hearing in the above-captioned docket will be held on **April 18**, **2007**, **at 10:00 a.m. CDT** in the Commission Library, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 28th day of February, 2007.

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

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