SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Aquila, Inc.,

d/b/a Aquila Networks (Aquila),

Omaha, seeking individual

general rate increases for Aquila's

Rate Area One, Rate Area Two, and

Rate Area Three.

Entered: December 19, 2006

BY THE COMMISSION:

The Commission has received an invoice dated December 1, 2006, from Harding, Shultz & Downs (HSD) for costs associated with the above-captioned docket, totaling \$3,500.00. Commission staff has reviewed the invoice and found it to conform to the Agreement for the Base Public Advocate Services dated November 15, 2004, between the Commission and HSD, as well as a Memorandum of Understanding dated May 19, 2006. Commission staff recommends the Commission approve assessment of the expenses reflected on the invoice for those services performed by HSD on or after the Notice of Assessment date November 17, 2006, from Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks (Aquila), pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 66-1840. The amount of those services performed after November 17, 2006, totals \$2,760.00.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

Upon the recommendation of the Commission staff, the Commission finds that assessment from Aquila of \$2,760.00 for services performed by HSD in the above proceeding on or after November 17, 2006, should be approved. The Commission further finds that the Commission should pay the \$2,760.00 upon receipt of payment by Aquila.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Commission that the abovementioned assessment is approved and hereby made and that payment of the above-mentioned amount be made upon receipt of payment by Aquila, Inc.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 19th day of December, 2006.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

ATTEST:

Executive Director

//s// Lowell C. Johnson //s// Frank E. Landis