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**MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**UTILITY OPERATIONS DIVISION**

**DIRECT TESTIMONY**

**OF**

**ERIN L. MALONEY**

**AQUILA, INC.**

**DBA/AQUILA NETWORKS - MPS AND AQUILA NETWORKS - L&P**

**CASE NO. ER-2007-0004**

**Jefferson City, Missouri  
January 2007**

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

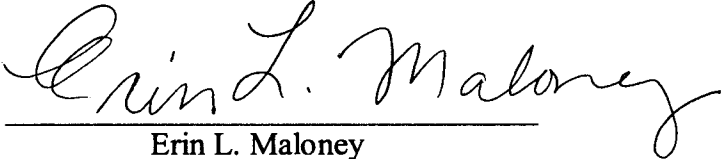
In the matter of Aquila, Inc. d/b/a Aquila )  
Networks-MPS and Aquila Networks- )  
L&P, for authority to file tariffs increasing )  
electric rates for the service provided to )  
customers in the Aquila Networks-MPS )  
and Aquila Networks-L&P service areas. )

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**AFFIDAVIT OF ERIN L. MALONEY**

STATE OF MISSOURI     )  
                                  ) ss  
COUNTY OF COLE     )

Erin L. Maloney, of lawful age, on her oath states: that she has participated in the preparation of the following Direct Testimony in question and answer form, consisting of 4 pages of Direct Testimony to be presented in the above case, that the answers in the following Direct Testimony were given by her; that she has knowledge of the matters set forth in such answers; and that such matters are true to the best of her knowledge and belief.

  
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Erin L. Maloney

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2007.



SUSAN L. SUNDERMEYER  
My Commission Expires  
September 21, 2010  
Callaway County  
Commission #06942086

  
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Notary Public

My commission expires 9-21-10

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Q. Please state your name and business address?

A. Erin L. Maloney, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102.

Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?

A. I am employed by the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) as a Utility Engineering Specialist II in the Energy Department of the Utility Operations Division.

Q. Please describe your educational and work background.

A. I graduated from the University of Nevada - Las Vegas with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering in June 1992. From August 1995 through November 2002, I was employed by Electronic Data Systems of Kansas City, Missouri, as a System Engineer. In January 2005, I joined the Commission Staff (Staff) as a Utility Engineering Specialist I.

Q. Have you previously filed testimony before the Commission?

A. Yes. Please see Schedule ELM 1 for a list of the testimony I have filed previously before the Commission.

Q. What is the purpose of this testimony?

1           A.     The purpose of this testimony is to recommend that the Commission adopt the  
2     system energy loss factors for Aquila Inc. d/b/a Aquila Networks-MPS (MPS) and Aquila  
3     Networks-L&P (L&P) set forth in the table below:

**System Energy Loss Factors**

**MPS - 0.0663**

**L&P - 0.0845**

**SYSTEM ENERGY LOSS FACTOR**

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6           Q.     What is the result of your system energy loss factor calculation?

7           A.     As shown on Schedule ELM 2, attached to this Direct Testimony, the  
8     calculated system energy loss factor for the MPS system of 0.0663 or 6.63%. The calculated  
9     system energy loss factor for the L&P system is 0.0845 or 8.45%.

10          Q.     What are system energy losses?

11          A.     System energy losses largely consist of the energy losses that occur in the  
12     electrical equipment (e.g., transmission and distribution lines, transformers, etc.) in Aquila,  
13     Inc.'s (Aquila or the Company's) system between the generating sources and the customers'  
14     meters. In addition, small, fractional amounts of energy either stolen (diversion) or not  
15     metered are included as system energy losses.

16          Q.     How are system energy losses determined?

17          A.     The actual amount of system energy loss is the difference in energy between  
18     what the company generates or purchases (sources) and what the company ultimately sells  
19     (sinks). This can be expressed as:

20                   **Net System Input (NSI) = Total Sales + System Energy Losses**

21     NSI and Total Sales are known; therefore, system energy losses may be calculated as follows:

1                                    **System Energy Losses = NSI – Total Sales**

2        The system energy loss factor is the ratio of system energy losses to NSI:

3                                    **System Energy Loss Factor = System Energy Losses ÷ NSI**

4                Q.        What is “Total Sales” and how is this value determined?

5                A.        Total Sales includes all of Aquila’s retail and wholesale sales of energy as  
6        well as the energy used by Company facilities. This information was provided by the  
7        Company in response to Staff data request nos. 283 and 290.

8                Q.        How is NSI determined?

9                A.        In addition to the relationship expressed in the equation above, NSI is also  
10       equal to the sum of Aquila’s net generation, net interchange, and any inadvertent flows. The  
11       equation for NSI can also be expressed as follows:

12                                    **NSI = Net Generation + Net Interchange + Inadvertent Flows**

13       Net interchange is the difference between interchange purchases and off-system sales. Net  
14       generation is the total energy output of each generating station minus the energy consumed  
15       internally to enable its production. The output of each generating station and the net of off-  
16       system purchases and sales are monitored continuously. The difference between scheduled  
17       and actual flows on a system is termed inadvertent interchange; this information is also  
18       monitored continuously. The net generation and interchange purchases and sales information  
19       was obtained from the monthly data reported as required by 4 CSR 240-3.190. The  
20       inadvertent flow information was obtained from data supplied by the Company in response to  
21       Staff data request no. 91. NSI was provided by the Company in response to Staff data  
22       request nos. 35 and 36.

23                Q.        Which Staff witness used your calculated system energy loss factor?

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1           A.     The system energy loss factor was used by Staff witness Shawn E. Lange.

2           Q.     Does this conclude your prepared Direct Testimony?

3           A.     Yes, it does.

**Previous Testimony Filed by  
Erin L. Maloney**

<b>Case Number</b>	<b>Type of Testimony</b>	<b>Issues</b>
<b>ER-2005-0436</b>	<b>Direct</b>	<b>Reliability</b>
<b>ER-2006-0315</b>	<b>Direct</b>	<b>System Losses and Jurisdictional Demand and Energy Allocation</b>
<b>ER-2006-0314</b>	<b>Direct, Rebuttal, Surrebuttal, True-up Direct</b>	<b>System Losses and Jurisdictional Demand and Energy Allocation</b>
<b>ER-2007-0002</b>	<b>Direct</b>	<b>System Losses and Jurisdictional Energy Allocation</b>



**Staff's Calculated System Energy Loss Factors**  
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	<b>MPS</b>	<b>L&amp;P</b>
<b>Components of System Input:</b>		
Net Generation - 3190 Data	4,257,262	1,474,441
Net Interchange - 3190 Data	1,826,313	654,672
Inadvertent Flows from Native		
Purchases spreadsheet provided in response to DR # 91	29,693	-29,180
AECI Loss Replacement	-2,815	-5,939
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>6,110,453</b>	<b>2,093,994</b>
<b>Components of System Output:</b>		
Retail Sales - DR # 283	5,664,922	1,915,158
Wholesale Sales - DR # 283	31,768	0
Company Use DR # 290	8,899	4,272
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>5,705,589</b>	<b>1,919,430</b>
 <b>Calculated Net System Losses</b>	 <b>404,864</b>	 <b>174,564</b>
Percentage of NSI*:	6.63%	8.45%

NSI\* DRs # 35 and 36

MPS	6,106,435
L&P	2,067,033