

**AQUILA, INC.
CASE NO. EF-2003-0465
DATA REQUEST NO. OPC-5020**

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DATE OF REQUEST: September 2, 2003

DATE RECEIVED: September 3, 2003

DATE DUE:

REQUESTOR: Douglas E. Micheel

QUESTION:

Please list each and every financing application filed by Aquila within the past ten (10) years in which Aquila has requested financing approval from the Commission after Aquila has consummated the financing transaction.

RESPONSE:

Our traditional approach has been to file for financing approval before a loan agreement is closed. However in this case, we are in effect filing to substitute collateral in an existing loan agreement, not for approval to enter into a new loan. For example, we are seeking to replace the Canadian assets that currently serve as loan collateral, with domestic utility assets.

Without this approval, we will not have sufficient collateral to support the entire loan amount if Canada is sold. To keep the loan amount intact, we would be forced with either not selling Canada or our IPP portfolio, both of which are key elements to the successful implementation of our restructuring plan.

ATTACHMENT: N/A

ANSWERED BY: Jon Empson

SIGNATURE OF RESPONDENT

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