

BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

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Docket No. 07-BHCG-1063-ACQ ✓

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Aquila, Inc.,)
d/b/a Aquila Networks - KGO, Black Hills Corporation)
and Black Hills/Kansas Gas Utility Company, LLC)
("BH Kansas Gas"), Joint Applicants, for an Order)
Approving the Transfer to BH Kansas Gas of Aquila's)
Certificates of Convenience and Necessity and)
Franchises With Respect to All of Aquila's Kansas)
Natural Gas Business, Including Its Transmission and)
Distribution Facilities Located in the State of Kansas,)
and for Other Related Relief)

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Great Plains)
Energy Incorporated, Kansas City Power & Light)
Company and Aquila, Inc. for Approval of the)
Acquisition of Aquila, Inc. by Great Plains Energy)
Incorporated)

Docket No. 07-KCPE-1064-ACQ

**JOINT MOTION FOR AN ORDER
ESTABLISHING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

COME NOW the Staff of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas ("Staff"), the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board ("CURB"), Black Hills Corporation ("Black Hills"), Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks - KGO ("Aquila"), Great Plains Energy Incorporated ("Great Plains"), Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCPL") and Unified School District No. 259 ("USD 259"), hereinafter collectively referred to as "Joint Movants," and request the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas ("Commission") issue an order establishing a procedural schedule in the above captioned dockets. In support of their request, Joint Movants state as follows:

I. BACKGROUND

1. On April 4, 2007, Aquila, and Black Hills and BH Kansas Gas (collectively, "BHC") filed an application with the Commission requesting an Order Approving the transfer to BH Kansas

Gas of Aquila's Certificates of Convenience and Necessity and Franchises with respect to all of Aquila's Kansas natural gas business, including Aquila's transmission and distribution facilities located in the State of Kansas; adoption of Aquila's retail tariff rates and general rules and regulations; and for other related relief ("1063 Docket").

2. On April 4, 2007, Great Plains, KCPL and Aquila filed an application for approval of the acquisition of Aquila by Great Plains, the parent company of KCPL ("1064 Docket").

3. On April 5, 2007, CURB filed a Petition to Intervene in the 1063 Docket and the 1064 Docket. On April 12, 2007, BHC filed a Petition to Intervene in the 1064 Docket. On April 19, 2007, Great Plains and KCPL filed a Petition to Intervene in the 1063 Docket. On July 25, 2007, the Commission issued an Order granting BHC and CURB's petitions to intervene in the 1064 Docket. On August 28, 2007, USD 259 filed a Petition to Intervene.

4. The Joint Movants have engaged in discussions regarding the need to establish a procedural schedule in the above captioned dockets and have reached agreement on the following suggested calendar of events and deadlines (the events and deadlines would apply to both dockets):

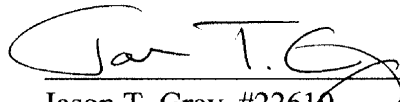
<u>Event</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
Staff/Intervenor Direct Testimony	December 18, 2007
Cross Testimony/Staff and Intervenor*	January 9, 2008
Rebuttal Testimony	January 14, 2008

* The parties agree to a seven-day time period for responding to discovery.

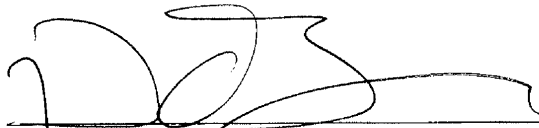
Settlement Conference	January 16, 2008
Prehearing Conference	January 16, 2008
Evidentiary Hearing	January 22 – January 30, 2008
Briefs	TBD at conclusion of hearing

5. Joint Movants also agree that one or more public hearings in each docket should be set by the Commission during the month of January 2008.

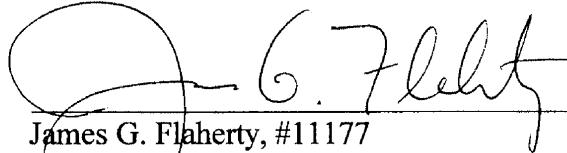
WHEREFORE, Joint Movants respectfully request the Commission issue an Order granting the parties' Joint Motion, establish a procedural schedule on the basis of that suggested by the parties in paragraph 4 above, and grant such other relief as the Commission may deem appropriate.



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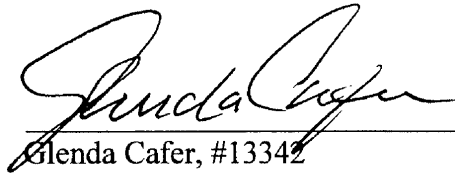


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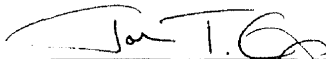


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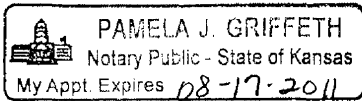
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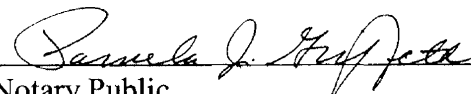
Jason T. Gray, being duly sworn upon his oath deposes and states that he is Assistant General Counsel for the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas, that he has read and is familiar with the foregoing *Joint Motion* and that the statements contained therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.



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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28~~th~~ day of September 2007.





Notary Public

My Appointment Expires: *August 17, 2011*

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Joint Motion For An Order Establishing Procedural Schedule was placed in the United States mail, postage prepaid, or hand-delivered this 28th day of September, 2007, to the following:

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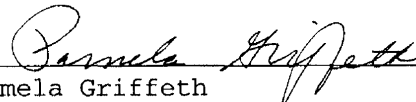
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