

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: AQUILA, INC., d/b/a AQUILA NETWORKS	DOCKET NO. RFU-04-1
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ORDER CLOSING DOCKET

(Issued January 11, 2005)

On August 12, 2004, the Utilities Board (Board) issued an order approving a refund plan filed by Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks (Aquila), designed to return Kansas ad valorem tax overcharges to Iowa consumers. Under the refund plan, Aquila proposed to distribute the ad valorem tax refund to sales and transportation customers based on throughput by class for the 12 months ending May 2004 and to incorporate the portion of the refund assigned to the sales volumes into the annual purchased gas adjustment (PGA) reconciliation to be filed on September 30, 2004. The portion assigned to the transportation volumes was to be refunded as a bill credit in August 2004, based on billed volumes for the 12 months ended May 2004. The Board directed Aquila to file a refund report 30 days after the refunding was completed.

Aquila's purchased gas adjustment (PGA) based upon the annual reconciliation filing went into effect November 1, 2004, in Docket No. PGA-04-44. The PGA included the Kansas ad valorem tax amounts. The Kansas ad valorem tax refund thus became a part of the PGA factor that is spread over a ten-month period.

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Since the Board has approved the annual reconciliation factor in Docket No. PGA-04-44, the Board has determined that no refund report is necessary and will close this docket. The calculation of the refund will be part of the annual reconciliation to be filed in August 2005.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

Docket No. RFU-04-1 is closed.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 11th day of January, 2005.