

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

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| <p>IN RE:</p> <p>AQUILA, INC., d/b/a AQUILA NETWORKS, BLACK HILLS CORPORATION, AND BLACK HILLS/IOWA GAS UTILITY COMPANY, LLC</p> | <p>DOCKET NO. SPU-07-12</p> |
| <p>IN RE:</p> <p>BLACK HILLS/IOWA GAS UTILITY COMPANY, LLC, d/b/a BLACK HILLS ENERGY (f/k/a AQUILA, INC., d/b/a AQUILA NETWORKS)</p> | <p>DOCKET NO. EEP-08-03</p> |
| <p>IN RE:</p> <p>BLACK HILLS/IOWA GAS UTILITY COMPANY, LLC, d/b/a BLACK HILLS ENERGY (f/k/a AQUILA, INC., d/b/a AQUILA NETWORKS)</p> | <p>DOCKET NO. RPU-08-3</p> |

**ORDER GRANTING REQUEST TO
TERMINATE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

(Issued October 9, 2008)

On July 22, 2008, Black Hills/Iowa Gas Utility Company, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy (Black Hills Energy), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) notices in Docket Nos. SPU-07-12, EEP-08-3, and RPU-08-3 that the sale of the Iowa natural gas assets of Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks (Aquila), to Black Hills Energy had

closed and Aquila had assigned all of the rights and obligations relating to Aquila's natural gas utility operations in Iowa to Black Hills Energy. On July 25, 2008, the Board issued an order accepting the notice of the acquisition of Aquila by Black Hills Energy, changing the captions on the above dockets, and directing Black Hills Energy to provide reports concerning its tariff filing plans and customer billing changes. The Board directed Black Hills Energy to file a status report three weeks after July 25, 2008, and every four weeks thereafter until the plans and changes were completed.

On August 18, September 15, and September 17, 2008, Black Hills Energy filed status reports concerning the proposed tariff filing, the customer billing changes and the operations of its customer call centers. On August 29, 2008, Black Hills Energy filed a complete proposed tariff that reflected the change from Aquila to Black Hills Energy as the company providing natural gas service pursuant to the tariff. The proposed tariff was identified as TF-08-138.

On September 23, 2008, Black Hills Energy filed a request to terminate the status report requirement. Black Hills Energy indicates that it has filed its proposed tariff for Board review and that the customer billing changes have been made and no further significant changes are expected. In addition, Black Hills Energy states that it has updated the Board on the changes to its customer service workforce and does not expect any other material changes to that workforce as a result of the sale.

The Board will grant the request to terminate the status report requirement. The Board has reviewed the tariff and a letter accepting the tariff was sent to Black Hills Energy on September 26, 2008. The Board has reviewed the status report information concerning Black Hills Energy customer billing changes and customer service workforce and understands that the changes have been completed and Black Hills Energy does not expect significant additional changes to occur. It appears that the transition from Aquila to Black Hills Energy in these areas has been completed and further status reports are not necessary.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

The request to terminate the status report requirement filed by Black Hills/Iowa Gas Utility Company, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy, on September 23, 2008, is granted.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ John R. Norris

/s/ Krista K. Tanner

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Darrell Hanson

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 9th day of October, 2008.