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December 26, 2003

Ms. Sandy Potter
Public Utilities Commission
of Colorado
1580 Logan Street
Office Level 2
Denver, CO 80203

Re: Advice Letter No. 588-Aquila, Inc.

Dear Ms. Potter:

Enclosed are an original and ten copies of the revised Aquila Networks-WPC tariff sheets No. 3 and No. 105, an original and ten copies of Advice letter No. 88, and ten copies of supporting information. The supporting information includes testimony and supporting exhibits and two copies of the supporting work papers. As indicated in the attached Advice letter Aquila, is requesting an effective date of January 29, 2004 for the Revised Tariff Sheets. Please stamp one copy of the advice letter and the tariff sheets and supporting information for my files and return it to me at the above address using the preaddressed and pre-paid Airbill. If you have any questions concerning this letter or the filing, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely.

W. Scott Keith Aquila, Inc.

Cc:

Mr. Gary Stone

Mr. Steve Denman

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Advice No. 588

Public Utilities Commission of the State of Colorado 1580 Logan Street Office Level 2 Denver, CO 80203

The accompanying tariff sheet (s) issued by Aquila, Inc., doing business as Aquila Networks-WPC ("Aquila"), is sent to you for filing in compliance with the requirements of the Public Utilities Law and the following sheets are attached:

COLORADO P.U.C. NO. 6

Colorado P.U.C. Sheet No. Fourth Revised Sheet No. 3 Original Sheet No. 105

Title of Sheet
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General Rate Schedule Adjustment II

Cancels Colorado P.U.C. Sheet No. Third Revised Sheet No. 3

The principal purpose of this filing is to place into effect in the Company's Colorado P.U.C. No. 6 a General Rate Schedule Adjustment II ("GRSA II") to become effective on January 29, 2004. The GRSA II rider, a positive 9.60 percent reflected on Original Sheet No. 105, will apply to base rates for all customers receiving electric power and energy under the Company's electric tariffs. This filing also complies with the Settlement Agreement entered into in the Company's last general rate case, Docket No. 02S-594E, and with Decision No. C03-0697 in which the Commission approved the Settlement Agreement.

The proposed GRSA II rider, a positive 9.60 percent, will result in an annual increase in the Company's base electric rates of \$11,358,847 based upon the revenue requirements for the test year ending August 31, 2003. The primary reason for the increase in electric rates through the GRSA II is to reflect the Company's current cost of providing electric services to its customers. This revenue requirement includes adjustments necessary to reflect the increasing cost of providing electric service. The cost increases include both capital costs and operating expenses. Implementation of the GRSA II contained in this filing will allow the Company to increase its electric revenue and provide it the opportunity to earn a 10.75 percent return on equity and a 9.07 percent return on rate base, which were established by the Commission in Decision No. C03-0697 in Docket No. 02S-594E.

In total this filing, if approved by the Public Utilities Commission, will increase the Company's overall base electric rates by \$11,358,847 or 9.13 percent. The Company has filed direct testimony and exhibits with the Public Utilities Commission in support of the need for this limited rate increase.

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Customers of the Company as of the date of this filing will be notified of the this filing pursuant to the requirements of the Public Utilities Law, and by general notice published in the Pueblo Chieftain, Canon City Daily Record and the Rocky Ford Daily Gazette, the newspapers of general and local circulation in the Aquila electric service territory. A copy of the Company's official notice is attached hereto as Section 1 of Exhibit WSK-1.

It is desired that the GRSA II accompanying this advice letter become effective on thirty days' notice, or on January 29, 2004.

Sincerely,

W. Scott Keith Aquila, Inc.

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KEY TO SYMBOLS ON REVISED TARIFF SHEETS

- C To signify changed rate or regulation
- D To signify discontinued rate or regulation
- I To signify increase
- N To signify new rate or regulation
- R To signify reduction

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- S To signify reissued matter
- T To signify a change in text but no change in rate or regulation

Decision or Authority No. Advice Letter No. 588 Signature of Issuing Officer Issue Date December 29, 2003

Effective Date

January 29, 2004

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PUEBLO, COLORADO 81003-0075	Cancels		Sheet No	
GENERAL RATE SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT II				

The charge for electric service calculated under the Company's electric base rate schedules and GRSA, Tariff Sheet 104 shall be increased by 9.60 percent. Said Rider shall not apply to charges determined by the Incentive Cost Adjustment (ICA) or Demand Side Management Cost Adjustment (DSMCA).

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