BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks (Aquila), Omaha, seeking individual general rate increases for Aquila's Rate Area One, Rate Area Two, and Rate Area Three.	)	Application No. NG-0041
	)	ASSESSMENT ORDER NO. HS-009
	)	Entered: July 3, 2007

BY THE COMMISSION:

The Commission has received an invoice dated June 8, 2007, from Harding & Shultz for costs associated with consultant fees in the above-captioned docket, totaling $33,544.19. Commission staff has reviewed the invoice and found it to conform to the Agreement for the Base Public Advocate Services dated November 15, 2004, subsequently amended, between the Commission and Harding & Shultz. Commission staff recommends the Commission approve assessment of the expenses reflected on the invoice from Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks (Aquila), pursuant to *Neb. Rev. Stat.* sec. 66-1840.

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

Upon the recommendation of the Commission staff, the Commission finds that assessment from Aquila of the expenses reflected in the above-mentioned invoice from Harding & Shultz should be approved. The Commission further finds that the Commission should pay the invoice upon receipt of payment by Aquila.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Commission that the above-mentioned assessment is approved and hereby made and that payment of the above-mentioned amount be made upon receipt of payment by Aquila, Inc.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 3rd day of July, 2007.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

//s// Rod Johnson
//s// Frank E. Landis

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