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Clean Line Statement

My name is Ted Hartsig. I work with Olsson Associates, an engineering firm with 7 offices and more than 250 employees in Missouri. I am here to state our support of the Clean Line project.

Clean Line's benefits to Missouri are many, including:

- 1,500 new jobs to the state
- \$500M in investment in Missouri
- Access to new, clean, and less expensive energy for Missouri.

Grain Belt
\$7M in tax ^{annual} revenue
\$32M in landowner compensation

Clean, affordable energy is essential for our country if we are to have a stronger and more stable economy and standard of living. The Clean Line is essential for getting that energy to its markets, including Missouri.

We ^{have seen} understand that Clean Line has developed strict protocols for working with and compensating Missouri landowners to facilitate this transmission line. These protocols include provisions for protecting land and assuring that natural resources such as soils, wetlands, and wildlife are not impacted or will be restored restored to their natural, productive state. We also understand that Clean Line will be working with landowners if there are losses in crop production. Furthermore, we know that Clean Line will be listening to landowners during the environmental review process to work with them to make sure that they are satisfied with the outcomes.

- 35 years in environmental permitting and restoration
 - I'm very impressed w/ the protocols and provisions developed by Clean Line to assure not only compliance, but respect of landowners and the environment.
- Environmental protections are mandatory. Land restoration is necessary

- Environmental permitting & support in these very countries.
- common theme is economic need
 - revenue
 - jobs.

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