

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of Grain Belt Express)
Clean Line LLC for a Certificate of Convenience and)
Necessity Authorizing it to Construct, Own, Operate,)
Control, Manage, and Maintain a High Voltage, Direct) Case No. EA-2014-0207
Current Transmission Line and an Associated Converter)
Station Providing an interconnection on the Maywood -)
Montgomery 345 kV Transmission Line)

**MOTION TO INTERVENE
ON BEHALF OF MATTHEW AND CHRISTINA REICHERT**

Matthew and Christina Reichert (Reicherts) file this Motion to Intervene pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075. The Reicherts state the following in support of their Motion:

1. The Reicherts are joint owners of a farm with approximately 395 acres located in Triplett Township, Chariton County, Missouri. Grain Belt Express Clean Line's (Grain Belt's) proposed transmission line would pass directly over their farm for a span of approximately one mile. The transmission line would pass within 300 feet of their home with a 200 foot easement.

2. The Reicherts ask that communications, orders, and decisions be sent to:

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3. The Commission issued an Order on March 27, 2014, directing interested parties to intervene by April 25, 2014. This Motion was timely filed on April 25, 2014.

4. The Reicherts oppose Grain Belt's Application and reserve the right to provide more detailed objections and rebuttal evidence to Grain Belt's proposals, evidence, and testimony in this case.

5. Reicherts are opposed to the Grain Belt's proposed transmission line for the following reasons:

- a. The proximity of the transmission line to their home and farm buildings;
- b. The transmission line will decrease the value of their property;
- c. The transmission line will have a negative impact on the marketability and profitability of their Sycamore Valley Farm Bed & Breakfast;
- d. The excessive width of the easement required by the transmission line;
- e. The easement will reduce crop yields and increase maintenance costs on a property already burdened with four pipeline easements;
- f. Potential health risks to the Reicherts, their family, and farm animals from exposure to the high voltage transmission line;
- g. Potential interference with radio, satellite, cell, Internet, and GPS services;
- h. Potential hazards to the Reicherts, their home, and farm buildings from contact with a downed transmission line due to severe weather or equipment failure; and
- i. Grain Belt's business case for the proposed line is speculative.

6. The Reicherts understand that Grain Belt may exercise the right of eminent domain and condemn a portion of their property for a transmission line easement if the Commission grants the Application.

7. The Reicherts have interests that are different from the general public and those interests would be adversely affected if Grain Belt's Application is approved by the Commission.

Therefore, Matthew and Christina Reichert respectfully ask the Commission to grant their Motion to Intervene.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that true and accurate copies of this Motion were sent by e-mail or mail on April 25, 2014, to all parties on the official service list for this case.

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