

**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 Current Transmission) EA-2014-0207
Line and an Associated Converter Station Providing an)
Interconnection on the Maywood - Montgomery 345 kV)
Transmission Line.)

NOTICE OF COMMUNICATION

Issue Date: April 17, 2014

Attached are letters and emails sent to Commissioner Hall as of this date, regarding the above referenced case.

The Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) has promulgated rules denoted as the “Standards of Conduct” at 4 CSR 240-4.010 and 4.020. Section 4 CSR 240-4.20 specifically deals with Ex Parte and Extra-Record Communication Rules. This notice is filed in conformance with the rule.



Daniel Y. Hall
Commissioner



Amy E. Moore
Policy Advisor & Legal Counsel to Commissioner Daniel Y. Hall

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
On this 17th day of April, 2014.

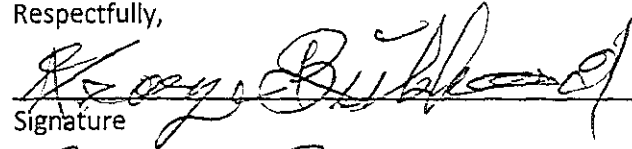
Missouri Public Service Commission
200 Madison Street, P.O. Box 0360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Reference Case No. EA-2014-0207

Dear Commissioners,

I am a resident of Ralls County. I am adamantly opposed to the Grain Belt Express transmission line and ask that you urge you to deny them Public Utility status. Missourians do not need the electricity and would not benefit from it. It would violate our property rights, reduce our property value far more than compensation, spoil our rural landscape, cause hundreds of acres of deforestation, create obstacles to farming, limit future land use options, and cause potential health risks to human, livestock, and wildlife. Thank you!

Respectfully,


Signature

GEORGE R. BERKHEAD
Name (Printed)


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MO 63459
State & Zip

Commissioner Daniel Y. Hall

4-11-14

POBox 360

Jefferson City, MO 65102-0360

Dear Commissioner Hall

I am writing in regards to EA-2014-0207.

I am very much opposed to the Grain Belt Express Clean Line transmission line and ask that you please DENY them Public Utility status. We Missourians do not need the electricity and would not benefit from it. It would violate our property rights, reduce our property values far more than the compensation, spoil our rural landscape, cause hundreds of acres of defoliation, create obstacles to farming, limit future land use options, and cause potential health risks to humans and livestock.

Thank you

Respectfully,



Roger Crouch



Lathrop, MO 64465

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Anne Parham Hizar

Signature

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Dear Mr. Daniel G. Hall

This letter is in regard to case # EA-2014-0207.

My husband and I are against Grain Belt Express Clean Line receiving public utility status in Missouri.

We feel Eminent Domain gives Grain Belt the right to come through our property anytime and any place and do what they please.

Some of the 195 acres we own have been in our family for close to 100 years. Both my husband's mother and my father were raised here. We have a small beef cattle operation. We are both retired and have only hay, pasture, and cattle. If this goes through, the whole entire length of our property, it could greatly diminish our pasture and hay fields. We are counting on this extra income in our retirement years.

The proposed route is coming within a few hundred feet of our home that we have worked all our life for, where there is peace, quiet, and beauty. This line may devalue our property which we hope to pass on to our children. This line, if goes through, will be here FOREVER.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Daryl Caswell



Virginia Caswell



Address: [REDACTED]
New London, Missouri 63459

Phone: [REDACTED]

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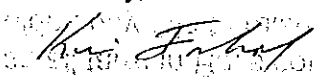
This letter is in regards to the Grain Belt Express and I know by now that numerous letters have come across your desk. I would like for you to pause for a moment , take a deep breath and really concentrate on what I'm about to convey. Pretend you are me and try to see things from my perspective. Three years ago my son and I purchased a small farm in Ralls county about 20 miles south of Hannibal, Missouri on hwy. 79. We didn't buy this to raise cattle or grow crops, this was not a business venture of any kind. We were seeking a place of solitude and beauty where my son could live and raise a family. A place where we could enjoy the wonders of nature and take care of the land so wonderfully created. This two hundred acre plot of land is our heaven on earth!

There now appears on the horizon a threat that is looming larger every day. A private company based in Houston, Texas believe they have the right to carve a 200 foot swath through my woods and fields, build huge obnoxious steel towers on my property and run high voltage wires across my skyline. The enclosed photographs are showing views of our farm looking toward a small gravel road named Patton Trail. In each photo just beyond the foreground and in front of the background is the proposed route for the Grain Belt Express. Imagine these beautiful settings with large steel towers stringing heavy wires across the sky. Reflect on how it will be to look at that every day for the rest of our lives.

At times like this, one cannot help but feel like a lone wolf struggling to fight a large company that has great resources to combat you. You feel helpless! I can assure you that there are many more people in our state who feel the same way, and many lives will be affected adversely by this project. As commissioners of the Missouri Public Service Commission you have immense power and responsibility. Is the small tax revenue really worth the impact this is going to have on hundreds of land owners? The jobs the company brags about producing are extremely temporary, however the scars they leave behind will be forever. Why can they not just tap the electricity they produce into the current National Grid that already exist? Do we really have to construct more high tension lines than there already are? There are high tension lines running east to west just south of Bowling Green, Missouri, can they not utilize towers already existing or are those towers owned by a competitor that will not grant access?

I sincerely hope you study this project long and hard and truly put yourself in my position. What if this was your land, your heaven on earth! There are hundreds of us with the same story, who is going to stand up for our rights? There must be a better alternative.

Sincerely,


Kevin Imhof





Dear Mr. Daniel Hall,

This letter has to do with case # EA-2014-0207

I am writing to let you know that I am against Grain Belt Express Clean Line receiving public utility status in Missouri.

My parents own about 195 acres of beautiful land that has been in our family for nearly 100 years. They operate a small beef cattle operation. The proposed line will run right through the entire length of their property and would greatly diminish the pasture and hay fields. Someday I will be the next generation that will proudly own this land and I feel the line will devalue the property. My parents have worked their entire lives to retire and live on this beautiful and peaceful land. The proposed route will be coming within a few hundred feet of their home.

I am enclosing a photo so you can see the Beauty. The structure showing in the picture is their barn.

Their house is a few feet away, hidden in the trees. Please think long and hard before passing this, because once it passes it will be here forever. Think about how you would feel if it were your land that was being taken.

People of power and wealth should not have the right to come steal away land that you have earned. Land that you have worked hard for Land that you LOVE.

Thank you very much for your time.

Sincerely

Devi (Caswell) Edmunds

