

**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)

IBEW UNIONS' REQUEST TO BE EXCUSED

COME NOW, IBEW Local Union 2, IBEW Local Union 53 and IBEW Local Union 1439 (collectively, the "IBEW Unions"), through counsel, and for their Request to Be Excused state as follows:

1. The Missouri Public Service Commission (the "Commission") has scheduled an evidentiary hearing in the above-referenced matter for November 10, 12-14 and 21, 2014, which will continue to December 2 and 3, 2014 if necessary.
2. The IBEW Unions will present one witness at the evidentiary hearing, David Desmond of IBEW Local Union 2. Mr. Desmond is scheduled to testify exclusively on November 21, 2014.
3. The IBEW Unions now give notice to the Commission that they do not intend to participate in the hearing on November 10, 12-14 or December 2-3. The IBEW Unions waive their right to cross examination of all witnesses appearing on those dates.
4. The IBEW Unions also waive their right to present opening and closing statements at the evidentiary hearing.
5. The IBEW Unions expressly reserve their right to file post-hearing briefs in accordance with the Procedural Schedule.

WHEREFORE, the IBEW Unions respectfully request that they be excused from the

evidentiary hearing on November 10, 12-14 and December 2-3, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served the parties to this case by email or U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, this 3rd day of November, 2014.

/s/ Sherrie Hall