

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

**Case No. EA-2016-0358**

**POSITION STATEMENT OF THE MISSOURI INDUSTRIAL ENERGY CONSUMERS  
AND THE MISSOURI RETAILERS ASSOCIATION**

COMES NOW the Missouri Industrial Energy Consumers and for its Position Statement states as follows:

***1. Does the evidence establish that Commission may lawfully issue to Grain Belt Express Clean Line LLC (Grain Belt) the certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) it is seeking for the high-voltage direct current transmission line and converter station with an associated AC switching station and other AC interconnecting facilities?***

Yes.

***2. Does the evidence establish that the high-voltage direct current transmission line and converter station for which Grain Belt is seeking a CCN are “necessary or convenient for the public service” within the meaning of that phrase in section 393.170 RSMo.?***

Yes.

***3. If the Commission grants the CCN, what conditions, if any, should the Commission impose?***

The Missouri Industrial Energy Consumers take no position on this issue at this time.

***4. If the Commission grants the CCN, should the Commission exempt Grain Belt from complying with the reporting requirements of Commission rules 4 CSR 240-3.145, 4 CSR 240-3.165, 4 CSR 240-3.175, and 3.190(1), (2) and (3)(A)-(D)?***

Yes.

The Missouri Retailers Association has advised the undersigned counsel for the Missouri

Industrial Energy Consumers that the Missouri Retailers Association concurs in this position statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been emailed this 13th day of March, 2017, to all parties on the Commission's service list in this case.

*/s/ Lewis Mills*