

**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 345kV Transmission Line)

Case No. EA-2016-0358

WAIVER OF APPEARANCE OF CERTAIN WITNESSES

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and, on behalf of all but three of the parties in this case,¹ states as follows:

In order to shorten the hearing of this matter and to avoid unnecessary expense, the appearance at the hearing of some or all of the witnesses listed below may be dispensed with if (1) the Commission has no questions for a particular witness, and (2) both the Missouri Retailers Association and the Missouri AFL-CIO waive their rights to examine that witness and stipulate to the admission of the witness' prefiled testimony.

In support of this goal, Staff and the other parties joining this pleading state that they will waive their right to examine and stipulate to the admission of the prefiled testimony of each of the witnesses listed below for whom the Commission has no questions and both the Missouri Retailers Association and the Missouri AFL-CIO waive their rights to examine that witness and stipulate to the admission of the witness' prefiled testimony.

¹ Public Counsel has already waived cross of all witnesses by its pleading filed March 8, 2017. The other Parties not joining in this pleading are the Missouri Retailers Association and the Missouri AFL-CIO.

Staff and the other parties joining herein request that the Commission and the Missouri Retailers Association and the Missouri AFL-CIO advise the listed witnesses and all of the parties whether or not some or all of the listed witnesses will need to appear for the hearing of this matter by filing appropriate notices in the case.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 15th day of March, 2017.

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