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## SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY

# OF

## JENNIFER STELZLENI

#### ON

## **BEHALF OF**

# **GRAIN BELT EXPRESS LLC**

# MAY 15, 2023

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	I. INTRODUCTION
Q.	Please state your name, present position and business address.
А.	My name is Jennifer Stelzleni. I am a Senior Manager for Environmental
Compliance	and Strategy for Invenergy LLC. My business address is One South Wacker Drive,
Suite 1800, 0	Chicago, Illinois 60606.
Q.	Have you previously submitted testimony in this proceeding?
Yes,	I submitted direct testimony on August 24, 2022 and accompanying
exhibits/sche	edules identified as Schedules JS-1.
Q.	What is the purpose of your surrebuttal testimony?
А.	I am responding to testimony filed by Staff Witness Cedric Cunigan, PE and several
public comm	ents relating to environmental considerations.
	II. ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE
0.	Have you had an opportunity to review Staff Witness Cedric Cunigan's
-	egarding environmental compliance in his Rebuttal Testimony?
А.	Yes, I have.
0.	What does Mr. Cunigan recommend?
_	Mr. Cunigan recommends the Commission condition its approval of the amended
	the condition that Grain Belt Express obtain all necessary environmental permits and
	or to construction of the Tiger Connector and that Grain Belt Express submit evidence
	nits and approvals to the Commission. <sup>1</sup>
Q.	Does Grain Belt Express have a position on this recommendation?
	A. Compliance Suite 1800, C Q. Yes, exhibits/sche Q. A. public comm A. Q. A. Q. A. Q. A. Q. A. Q. A.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Rebuttal Testimony of Cedric Cunigan, PE, at p. 4, ll. 1-9.

1	А.	Grain Belt Express is amenable to the Commission adding this condition to the
2	requested am	ended CCN.
3	Q.	Does Mr. Cunigan have any other comments relating to environmental
4	compliance?	
5	А.	Mr. Cunigan mentions that Grain Belt Express is in the process of filing studies for
6	several endar	ngered species habitats that may be impacted by construction. He mentions that Staff
7	has issued a c	data request (Staff DR 50.1) regarding those issues. <sup>2</sup>
8	Q.	Do you have any additional information to add regarding those studies?
9	А.	Grain Belt Express has issued a response to the Staff DR 50.1 and will supplement
10	its response v	when necessary, as required under the discovery rules in this proceeding.
11		III. PUBLIC COMMENTS
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Rebuttal Testimony of Cedric Cunigan, PE, at p. 4, ll. 1-9.

project. To clarify, I am not aware of any law that required Grain Belt Express to send Callaway County any environmental studies to date, though we will certainly comply with applicable laws that require Grain Belt Express to share that information in the future. Commissioner Fischer is welcome to review my Direct Testimony and contact Grain Belt Express if there is specific information he wishes to receive.

6 Second, Steven Jeffrey stated a concern that he thought the National Environmental Policy 7 Act ("NEPA") Review Process does or should apply to the amended project. NEPA reviews are 8 triggered when a federal agency develops a proposal to take a major federal action, as defined by 9 40 CFR 1508.1. While there is a NEPA review process associated with Grain Belt Express' 10 application under the Department of Energy's loan program, the amendment filing before the 11 Missouri Public Service Commission does not require a federal agency to take a major federal 12 action, so no NEPA process is required beyond the Department of Energy's NEPA process.

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#### IV. CONCLUSION

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- Q. Does this conclude your testimony?
- 15 A. Yes, it does.

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

In the Matter of the Application of Grain Belt)Express LLC for an Amendment to its Certificate)of Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to)Construct, Own, Operate, Control, Manage, and)Maintain a High Voltage, Direct Current)Transmission Line and Associated Converter)Station)

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1. My name is Jennifer Stelzleni. I am a Senior Manager for Environmental Compliance and Strategy for Invenergy LLC. My business address is One South Wacker Drive, Suite 1800, Chicago, Illinois 60606.

2. I have read the above and foregoing Rebuttal Testimony and the statements contained therein are true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief.

3. Under penalty of perjury, I declare that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Jennifer Stelzlehi

Senior Manager for Environmental Compliance and Strategy Invenergy LLC

Date: 05 12 2013