

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
STATE OF MISSOURI

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS  
LOCAL PUBLIC HEARING

In the Matter of the )  
Application of Ameren )  
Transmission Company of )  
Illinois for a Certificate )  
of Convenience and Necessity )  
to Construct Install, Own, ) Case No. EA-2025-0222  
Operate, Maintain, and )  
Otherwise Control and Manage )  
a 138kV Transmission Line )  
and Associated Facilities )  
in Perry County, Missouri )

TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2025  
6:00 p.m.

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KEN SEYER, Presiding  
REGULATORY LAW JUDGE  
KAYLA HAHN, Chair,  
MAIDA J. COLEMAN,  
GLEN KOLKMEYER,  
JOHN MITCHELL,  
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(Starting time of the hearing: 6:45 p.m.

JUDGE SEYER: Let's go on the record.

Today is August 26, 2025. The time is 6:45 p.m. My name is Ken Seyer. I am a Regulatory Law Judge with the Missouri Public Service Commission. And I will -- and I will preside over this portion of the hearing.

We are here in Altenburg because the Commission has set this time for a local public hearing to give members a chance to comment about the application of Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Relating to a Transmission Line and Associated Facilities in Perry County, Missouri. And it is our commission number: EA-2025-0222.

The Commission regulates the rates charged by the public utilities -- public utility companies in Missouri to ensure that those rates are just and reasonable. The Commission also regulates the quality of service and safety of the operations of public utilities.

The Commission is composed of five commissioners, although there is currently a

1 vacancy. They're appointed by the governor and  
2 confirmed by the senate, and the Commission  
3 employs a staff of engineers, accountants,  
4 attorneys, financial analysts and other  
5 specialists in the field of utility regulation.

6 With me today is Commissioner Maida  
7 Coleman. Also participating online is the  
8 Chair of the Commission, Kayla Hahn, as well as  
9 Commissioners Glenn Kolkmeyer and John  
10 Mitchell. The Commissioners have not made any  
11 decisions in this case and cannot answer any  
12 questions today, because they have to remain  
13 impartial until after all the evidence is  
14 presented at the evidence -- evidentiary  
15 hearing in this matter, should one be held.  
16 Commissioner Coleman, at this time, would you  
17 like to make opening remarks?

18 COMMISSIONER COLEMAN: Thank you, Judge.  
19 So, good evening, everyone. Thank you so much  
20 for being here for this local public hearing.  
21 We appreciate you taking the time out of your  
22 busy evening, your work schedules, to come here  
23 and give us your opinions and information that  
24 you might want us to know about. As the Judge  
25 noted, while I am here in person, I am

1 representing the Commissioners that are  
2 listening in online. So, on behalf of our  
3 Chairwoman and Commissioners Mitchell and  
4 Kolkmeyer, who are also listening in, we look  
5 forward to getting public testimony information  
6 that we can use to help make a decision  
7 relative to this case that you're here about.  
8 So, thank you again for coming. I look forward  
9 to hearing your comments. Thank you, Judge.

10 JUDGE SEYER: All right, there are  
11 attorneys here today representing the parties  
12 in this matter. So, for the record, would  
13 you -- would each of you identify yourselves  
14 and state which party you're representing,  
15 beginning with Ameren Transmission Company of  
16 Illinois.

17 MR. TRIPP: Michael R. Tripp,  
18 M-i-c-h-a-e-l, T-r-i-p-p, representing Ameren  
19 Transmission Company of Illinois, 9020 South  
20 Barry Road, Columbia, Missouri 65201.

21 JUDGE SEYER: All right, thank you,  
22 Mr. Tripp. On behalf of the Staff of the  
23 Commission.

24 MS. KERR: Carolyn -- excuse me, Carolyn  
25 Kerr, on behalf of the Commission.

1 JUDGE SEYER: And the Office of the Public  
2 Counsel?

3 MS. VANGERPEN: Lindsay VanGerpen, on  
4 behalf of the OPC, and our address is 200  
5 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

6 JUDGE SEYER: All right, thank you. I am  
7 not aware of anyone who has signed up tonight  
8 -- oh, I'm being corrected on that. There is a  
9 list. I just do not have that list. You had  
10 one job. All right, there are a couple names  
11 signed up to testify. And the first name on  
12 that list -- well, actually, before we get to  
13 that testimony, I'll call the names in the  
14 order that people signed up. If you would step  
15 up to the microphone. I'll place you under  
16 oath and ask you to state and spell your name,  
17 and then you can offer your comments to the  
18 Commission.

19 Once you're through -- once you're through  
20 testifying, please remain at the microphone, in  
21 case there are questions from the Commissioners  
22 or the parties for the attorneys. So, the  
23 first name on the list is Garry Schlichting.  
24 You rather not testify or you don't -- got you.  
25 All right. And then it looks like Glenn

1 Scholl. Are you here, Mr. Scholl? All right,  
2 is there anybody that didn't sign up that would  
3 like to testify tonight? Go ahead. Sure. And  
4 would you raise your hand?

5 (Jan Bradshaw sworn.)

6 JUDGE SEYER: Could you go ahead and --  
7 you can put your hand down. Could you go ahead  
8 and state your name and spell your name?

9 MS. BRADSHAW: Yeah, I'm Jan Bradshaw,  
10 J-a-n, B-r-a-d-s-h-a-w.

11 JUDGE SEYER: Okay.

12 MS. BRADSHAW: And I'm speaking on behalf  
13 of Tim Haertling.

14 JUDGE SEYER: Okay. Would you go ahead  
15 and spell his last name?

16 MS. BRADSHAW: H-a-e-r-t-l-i-n-g.

17 JUDGE SEYER: Okay, thank you.

18 MS. BRADSHAW: Basically, we were just  
19 wanting to comment that, you know, it's been  
20 mentioned this is proposed for the public good,  
21 and if you look at the route, the route  
22 primarily impacts one landowner. There's a  
23 small impact in Illinois. There's a large  
24 impact in Missouri, and I venture to say maybe  
25 80 percent is one landowner. If it's for the

1 public good, it just seems that possibly a  
2 route could have been selected that would not  
3 burden one person.

4 JUDGE SEYER: Okay. Are there any  
5 questions? Yes, Commissioner Coleman.

6 COMMISSIONER COLEMAN: Thank you,  
7 Ms. Bradshaw. Were you able to be here during  
8 the question-and-answer phase that was before  
9 we started --

10 MS. BRADSHAW: Yes.

11 COMMISSIONER COLEMAN: Were you able to  
12 ask about that and get any type of answer about  
13 that impact?

14 MS. BRADSHAW: No, I didn't ask that  
15 earlier.

16 COMMISSIONER COLEMAN: Tell me what you've  
17 heard.

18 MS. BRADSHAW: What I've heard?

19 COMMISSIONER COLEMAN: Yeah, relative to  
20 the -- is your concern that it's a -- that  
21 80 percent that impacts one person is too much  
22 of an ask? Is that your concern?

23 MS. BRADSHAW: Yes, I feel like that is an  
24 immense ask of one particular farmer, taking a  
25 great portion of his farm, and it's just not a

1 shared route.

2 COMMISSIONER COLEMAN: Is that  
3 Mr. Harding?

4 MS. BRADSHAW: Haertling, yes.

5 COMMISSIONER COLEMAN: Haertling? Spell  
6 it for me again, please.

7 MS. BRADSHAW: H -- H-a-e-r-t-l-i-n-g.

8 COMMISSIONER COLEMAN: L, okay, thank you.  
9 And he has expressed to you his concern and  
10 concern about what will happen relative to his  
11 land?

12 MS. BRADSHAW: Yes.

13 COMMISSIONER COLEMAN: Okay.

14 MS. BRADSHAW: Yes, it's affecting crop  
15 ground, as well as pasture ground, as well as  
16 his woodlands.

17 COMMISSIONER COLEMAN: Okay, thank you.

18 MS. BRADSHAW: Thank you.

19 JUDGE SEYER: All right. Is there anyone  
20 else that would like to testify tonight? All  
21 right. Okay. Regardless of whether you  
22 testified or not, if you have comments after  
23 the hearing, a lot of times you may --  
24 something may pop into your head on the way  
25 home, or if you prefer to submit written



1 comments rather than testify tonight, you can  
2 submit them via the Commission's website, which  
3 is psc, Public Service Commission, dot, mo,  
4 gov. On the right side of the homepage there's  
5 a link titled Submit Comments. If you click --  
6 click on that link, you can submit your  
7 comments, and all I would ask is that you  
8 reference this case number, EA-2025-0222.  
9 Commissioner Coleman?

10 COMMISSIONER COLEMAN: Excuse me, I'm  
11 sorry, but I'm always trying to figure out  
12 what -- what actions a person is taking based  
13 on their concerns. So, has Mr. Haertling had  
14 conversations with -- if you would come back to  
15 the microphone, please, Ms. Bradshaw -- with  
16 the company and expressed his concerns, and has  
17 there been any attempt to try to rectify this  
18 large percentage of his land?

19 MS. BRADSHAW: No, to my knowledge.  
20 There, you know, there has been non -- no  
21 conversation with the company regarding this  
22 project.

23 COMMISSIONER COLEMAN: Okay. So -- so, do  
24 you know if Mr. Haertling knows that there  
25 might be some recourse?

1 MS. BRADSHAW: Yes.

2 COMMISSIONER COLEMAN: But you're not sure  
3 if he has attempted to have those conversations  
4 and discuss an alternative route?

5 MS. BRADSHAW: No.

6 COMMISSIONER COLEMAN: Okay. All right,  
7 thank you.

8 MS. BRADSHAW: Thank you.

9 JUDGE SEYER: Thank you, Commissioner.  
10 Commissioner, would you like to make any  
11 closing remarks?

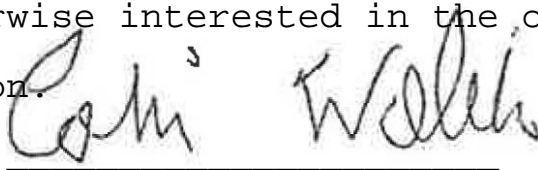
12 COMMISSIONER COLEMAN: Well, I was hoping  
13 to hear a whole lot more tonight. I will say  
14 that a little off task, that I'm born and  
15 raised in Sikeston, and I just had the pleasure  
16 of driving through some of the most beautiful  
17 part of this state that I've ever been in. I  
18 don't know why I've never been back up in here.  
19 But it is absolutely gorgeous, and so I'm kind  
20 of jealous because I live around a lot of  
21 cement in St. Louis. But I really enjoyed the  
22 greenery, the ponds, the -- fortunately, no  
23 wildlife to cross my path. So, thank you all  
24 so much for being here tonight; and, again, if  
25 you have any concerns or questions, you're more

1 than welcome to reach out to the Public Service  
2 Commission or the -- and the Office of the  
3 Public Counsel. Our Chairwoman, Kayla Hahn,  
4 Commissioners Glenn Kolkmeyer and John  
5 Mitchell, appreciate your time. And thank you  
6 again.

7 JUDGE SEYER: All right, thank you --  
8 thank you all for being here tonight, and this  
9 hearing is now adjourned. We are off the  
10 record.

11 (Ending time of the hearing: 6:55 p.m.)  
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1 I, Colin Wallis, in and for the State of  
2 Missouri do hereby certify that the witness  
3 whose testimony appears in the foregoing  
4 Examination Under Oath was duly sworn by me;  
5 that the testimony of the said witness was  
6 taken by me to the best of my ability and  
7 thereafter reduced to typewriting under my  
8 direction; that I am neither counsel for,  
9 related to, nor employed by any of the parties  
10 to the action in which this examination was  
11 taken, and further that I am not relative or  
12 employee of any attorney or counsel employed by  
13 the parties thereto, nor financially or  
14 otherwise interested in the outcome of the  
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