BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Grain Belt Express Clean Line LLC.

Case No. EA-2014-0207

NOTICE OF COMMUNICATION

Issue Date: April 2, 2014

On March 26, 2014 the commissioners of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("MO PSC"), Robert S. Kenney, Stephen M. Stoll, William P. Kenney, Daniel Hall, received a letter from Tom Dempsey, President Pro Tem of the Missouri Senate, Jefferson City, Missouri. (See Letter Attached.) This communication is regarding substantive issues as defined by 4 CSR 240-4.020(O) in the above-referenced contested case.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri On this 2nd day of April, 2014. **DISTRICT OFFICE** P.O. Box 62 St. Peters, MO 63376 Telephone (636) 294-2526



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MISSOURI SENATE

President Pro Tem Tom Dempsey DISTRICT 23

March 26, 2014

Missouri Public Service Commission 200 Madison St. Jefferson City, MO 65102

Dear Commissioners,

It has recently come to my attention that Grain Belt Express Clean Line LLC (Clean Line) has applied for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity from the Public Service Commission (PSC). The project's case number is EA-2014-0207. While I support projects that could create jobs and improve the economic climate of Missouri, I am concerned about the effects the Clean Line project might have on landowners across our state.

Many Missourians have expressed doubts that the project would be as beneficial as Clean Line claims. Questions about the possibility of eminent domain, interference with crop production, and restriction of land usage around the lines have not been answered satisfactorily by Clean Line. Missouri's level of access to the power being transported through the lines is also unclear. While Clean Line has indicated that they plan to build a conversion station in central Missouri, a specific location has not been named. The company also has failed to make clear how many Missourians will benefit from the power provided, and whether this power will be cost-effective.

Please examine this situation with care and weigh the possible consequences before taking action on any PSC application Clean Line submits. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Tom Dempsey President Pro Tem