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)

File No. EA-2016-0358

REQUEST OF SIERRA CLUB AND NRDC TO BE EXCUSED FROM PORTIONS OF HEARING

Come now Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) and Sierra Club, and state

that they waive opening statement and ask to be excused from the evidentiary hearing

except on Thursday, March 23.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct PDF version of the foregoing was filed on EFIS and sent by email on this 17th day of March, 2017, to all counsel of record.

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