

# 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, ) **File No. EA-2016-0358**  
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 )

## ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: October 5, 2016

Effective Date: October 5, 2016

On August 30, 2016, Grain Belt Express Clean Line LLC (“Grain Belt Express”) filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) for a certificate of convenience and necessity. The Commission directed notice of the application and set a deadline of September 14, 2016 to request intervention as a party. The Commission did not receive an application to intervene from Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren Missouri”).

On October 5, 2016, the Commission’s Staff filed *Staff’s Suggestion to Join Ameren Missouri as a Party*. Staff requests that the Commission require Ameren Missouri’s participation as a party so that Staff can obtain certain information relating to how Grain Belt Express’ proposed transmission line project may affect the reliability of Ameren Missouri’s system. Staff’s pleading does not indicate that Ameren Missouri was provided notice of the request, so the Commission will direct such notice to Ameren Missouri and provide the company with an opportunity to respond to Staff’s pleading.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Commission's Data Center shall provide notice of this order and *Staff's Suggestion to Join Ameren Missouri as a Party* filed on October 5, 2016, to Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri.
2. Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri shall respond to *Staff's Suggestion to Join Ameren Missouri as a Party* no later than October 17, 2016.
3. This order shall be effective when issued.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Michael Bushmann, Senior Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016.