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Mr. Elon Musk, Chair Department of Government Efficiency 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20500

Ms. Amy Gleason, Acting Administrator Department of Government Efficiency 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20500

Re: Grain Belt Express

Dear Mr. Musk and Ms. Gleason,

In the waning, chaotic days of the Biden Administration — when the former president's mental decline had grown to such a severe state that we now know he was not actually running his own White House and often signed documents without even knowing what they contained — left-wing bureaucrats seized the opportunity to advance their radical "green agenda." In the shadows of this confusion, far-left deep staters advanced a \$4.9 billion green energy federal loan guarantee boondoggle to bankroll the **Grain Belt Express ("GBE"),** one of the most egregious abuses of taxpayer dollars in recent memory.

This so-called renewable energy project is nothing more than a government-sponsored scam disguised as environmentalism. The GBE aims to construct massive wind energy transmission lines that will cut through Missouri's heartland, taking farmland from hardworking families through the unjust use of eminent domain. Missouri's farmers — the backbone of our state and nation — now face the devastating prospect of environmental grifters caving apart their lands for profit.

The truth is simple: Wind energy is unreliable, inefficient, and devastating to rural communities. Despite this, in a desperate attempt to salvage its failing Green New Scam, the Biden Administration funneled billions of taxpayer dollars into this business venture, which prioritizes out-of-state corporations over Missouri families. What's worse, the GBE's backers have already filed 40 eminent domain proceedings against Missouri landowners, threatening to strip

citizens of their property, often farmland their families have owned for generations, to serve private interests.

After nearly two years of silence, the Biden Administration approved this project in the dark of night. This decision deeply betrayed the people of Missouri. This stark government overreach and flagrant waste of taxpayer dollars is an example of what the Department of Government Efficiency exists to abolish.

I urge DOGE to immediately investigate and cancel federal funding for the nearly \$5 billion in waste from the GBE, putting an end to this shameful legacy of the Biden Administration—a legacy defined by incompetence, corruption, and blatant disregard for American property rights. Missouri farmers, taxpayers, and the American people deserve better.

Sincerely,

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