

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
BEFORE THE IOWA UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  ROCK ISLAND CLEAN LINE LLC	DOCKET NO. E-22123  <b>IOWA FARMLAND, LLC'S WRITTEN COMMENTS TO PROPOSED SCHEDULING ORDER</b>
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COMES NOW Iowa Farmland, LLC ("**Iowa Farmland**") and states the following:

1. Iowa Farmland has filed a Petition to Intervene in these proceedings, opposing and objecting to the petition filed by Rock Island Clean Line LLC ("**RICL**") in these proceedings, which said Petition to Intervene was filed on July 6, 2016 in Docket No. E-22128.
2. That as an Intervenor in these proceedings, Iowa Farmland participated in and attended the Iowa Utilities Board Scheduling Conference, which took place on July 11, 2016.
3. That the Iowa Utilities Board and RICL have each filed proposed separate procedural schedules which are attached hereto and marked respectively as Exhibits "A" and "B".
4. That the Iowa Utilities Board at said scheduling conference directed all parties to file under Docket No. E-22123 any written comments that they have with respect to the proposed procedural schedules submitted by the Iowa Utilities Board and by RICL.
5. That Iowa Farmland supports the proposed procedural schedule submitted by the Iowa Utilities Board with the following additional deadlines:
  - a. RICL's and Supporting Intervenor's deadline for designation and certification of expert witnesses- January 2, 2017.
  - b. Opposing Intervenor's deadline for designation and certification of expert witnesses- March 1, 2017.
  - c. Close of Discovery for all parties- September 1, 2017.

WHEREFORE Iowa Farmland submits through its attorneys the foregoing comments to the proposed scheduling procedures filed herein.

**Dated: July 15, 2016**

Respectfully submitted,

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- Electronically filed on July 15, 2016.

# **EXHIBIT “A”**

**IOWA UTILITIES BOARD STAFF  
PROPOSED SCHEDULE**

**May 27, 2018 Deadline for Board Decision**

Hearing must be completed no later than end of January 2018

Rock Island Clean Line Rebuttal Testimony filed by December 2017

Intervenor testimony filed late October 2017

Rock Island Clean Line Direct Testimony filed by August 1, 2017

Staff Report filed by July 1, 2017

Staff needs to begin the route review process no later than August 1, 2016

Rock Island Clean Line to file complete Exhibit E documents for at least two counties by August 1, 2016

# **EXHIBIT “B”**

**Draft Outline of Procedural Schedule for Rock Island Clean Line Matter  
Dockets E-22123 through E-22138**

- July – Oct 2016 – staff continues to hold off on petition review and Clean Line pursues easement negotiations;
- Nov., 2016 – April, 2017 – staff commences Petition review and field inspections and the company and staff go through deficiency cycle. Company continues easement negotiations.
- May 1, 2017 – Initial Exhibit E documents submitted
- May, 2017 – Official Notice is issued and publication arranged
- June, 2017 – final deadline for any intervenors
- July, 2017 – staff issues report on Petitions and matters to be addressed in direct testimony and exhibits
- August 1, 2017 – Clean Line files final Exhibit E documents
- August 21, 2017 – Staff issues report on Exhibit E documents and matters to be addressed in testimony
- September 15, 2017 – Clean Line files prepared testimony and Exhibits
- October 1, 2017 – supporting intervenors file testimony and Exhibits
- November 1, 2017 – OCA and opposing intervenors file testimony and exhibits
- December 1, 2017 – Clean Line files reply testimony and exhibits
- Jan and Feb 2018 – Hearing (anticipate at least a 3 week hearing process sometime during these months)
- March 15, 2018 – initial post hearing briefs
- April 15, 2018 – Reply Briefs
- May 15, 2018 – Decision Meeting
- May 28, 2018 – Decision Deadline