**THURSDAY JANUARY 16, 2025** 

# Overview of Grain Belt Express

Presentation to Members of the Kansas State Legislature



# Introducing Invenergy

#### AN ALL-OF-THE-ABOVE ENERGY SOLUTIONS PROVIDER









#### PROVEN TRACK RECORD

207
PROJECTS
Developed

33
GIGAWATTS
Capacity Developed

12.7
MILLION
Homes Powered

\$65
BILLION
Completed Transactions

Invenergy

# Invenergy: A Kansas Energy Partner

2010

Invenergy began development of its first energy project in Kansas

21

Full-time operations & maintenance employees

\$30 MILLION

Invested annually in Kansas



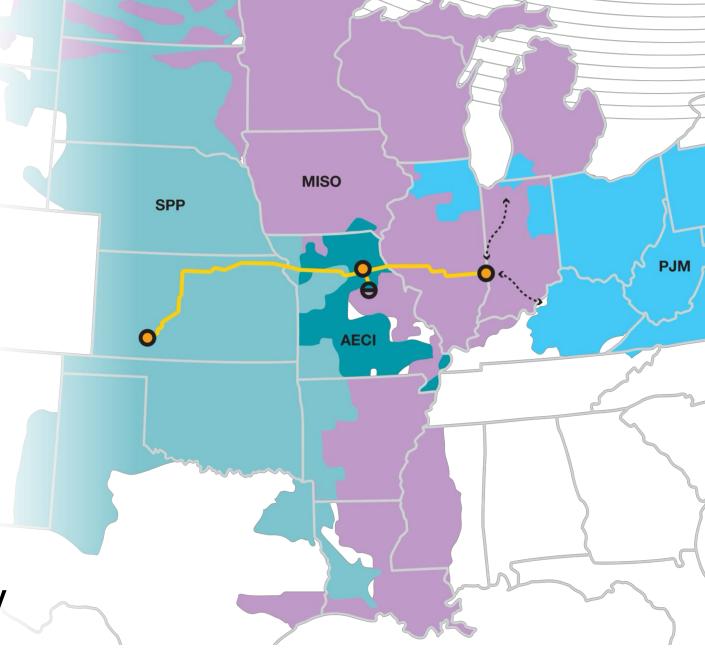
"About two-thirds of the Buckeye technicians are former students of Cloud County Community College's wind energy technology program in Concordia."

Hays Post, May 7, 2024
Invenergy employs 13 Kansas workers at its Buckeye Wind Energy Center

# An Energy Solution For America's Heartland



- Has followed all KS statutes
- KS sees bulk of investment
- Sets a new standard for KS landowners
- Unleashes the power of KS energy



## Grain Belt Express is <u>not</u> NIETC

U.S. Department of Energy's National Interest Electric Transmission Corridor (NIETC) program



Previous DOE Phase 2 NIETC Map Issued May 2024

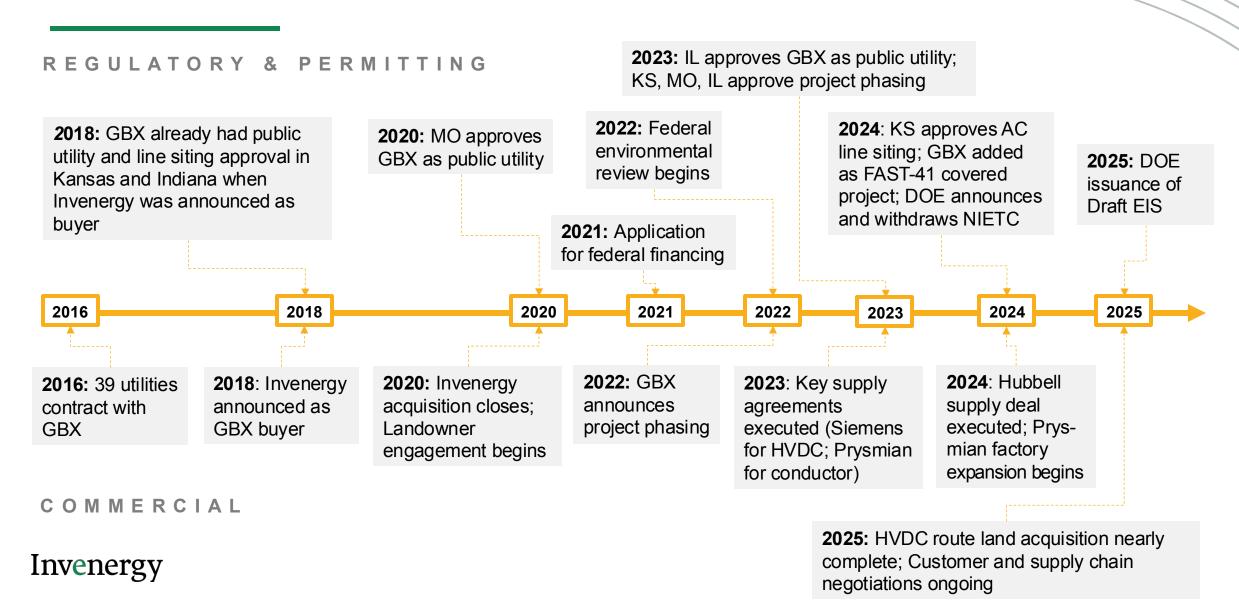


#### **Latest DOE Phase 3 NIETC Map**

Issued December 2024

Midwest-Plains corridor withdrawn, as urged by Kansas stakeholders and Invenergy

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### The bulk of GBX economic investment benefits Kansas

# \$8.1 billion

KS economic activity from construction of GBX and enabled generation

# 19,350 jobs

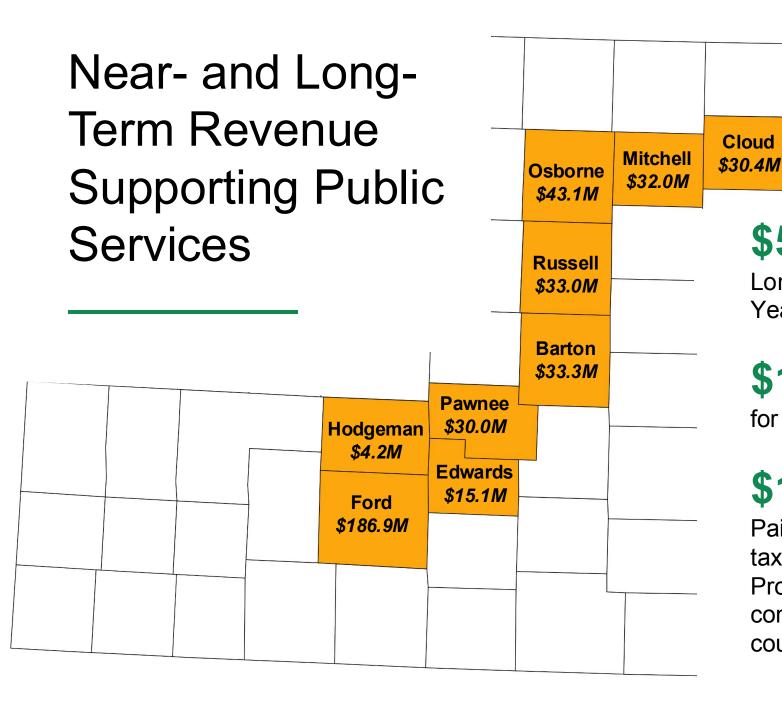
KS direct job creation from construction of GBX and enabled generation (FTE equivalent job years)

"Grain Belt Express will help boost local economies throughout our state and ensure that we can continue to provide domestic energy solutions throughout the Midwest."

**Joann Knight** 

Executive Director, Dodge City/Ford County

Economic Development Corporation



### \$500 million

\$26.4M

Long-term property taxes Year 11 through Year 50 for KS Counties

Washington Marshall Nemaha Brown

\$24.5M

\$15.8M \$14.6M

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\$14.4M

### \$178 million

for KS schools, from property tax total above

### \$10s of millions

Paid during construction, including sales taxes, **\$4 million** in Construction Work in Progress payments and **\$2.8 million** in construction impact mitigation payments to counties (\$7,500 per mile)

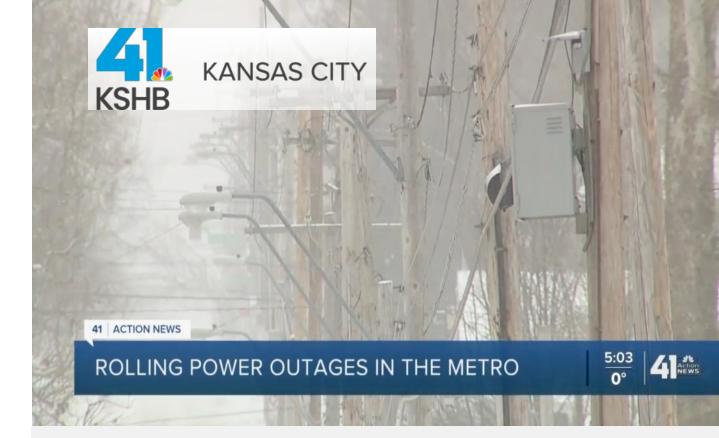
# Kansas energy benefits

\$1.2 billion

Energy cost savings for Kansas consumers over 15 years

# **Energy reliability**

For Kansas families, businesses, and critical infrastructure



# "Lines like Grain Belt Express could have been the savior."

Jay Caspary

Transmission expert and former Southwest Power Pool (SPP) transmission planner on 2021's Winter Storm Uri

## Grain Belt Express sets a new standard for KS landowners







Strong Rights & Protections

Minimizing Impacts

**Competitive Compensation** 

# Strong Landowner Rights & Protections

- Landowner Protocol
- Code of Conduct
- Agricultural Impact Mitigation Protocols

"A great example of guidelines and procedures essential for the respectful and fair treatment of landowners, as well as mitigation of impacts to agricultural land"

Kansas Farm Bureau

filing with Kansas Corporation Commission citing GBX's Landowner Protocol

# Minimizing Impact

# Fewer Lines, Fewer Structures

high-voltage direct current (HVDC) requires 1/3 of the right of way as AC technology

## 150' Right of Way

typical Grain Belt Express right of way (dark green area in image at right)

# <1% of Total Acreage

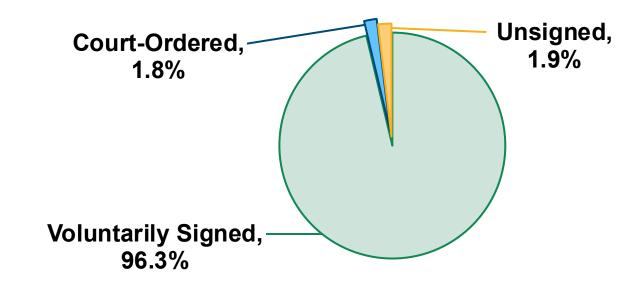
occupied by footprint of transmission structures, relative to acreage in easement

### KS landowners: \$12M already paid, \$51M balance due at construction

#### **GBX** landowner compensation

- 110% of fair market value of acreage in easement
- Payments of \$18,000 per-typicalstructure on property
- Crop compensation
- Annual payment option
- Counter-offers accepted





"The company responsible for this privately constructed project worked with landowners, farmers, and local groups over several years to build consensus and enter into fair agreements for a limited amount of land"

**U.S. Rep. Ron Estes,** 4<sup>th</sup> District of Kansas

# Kansas power can meet surging U.S. energy demand

16%

increase in national electric demand by 2029

3-4X

increase in power consumption from data centers by 2030

80%

increase in severe weather power outages since 2011

"While Kansas is well-known for ag production, our state also powers the country through energy production... Our nation has the ability to be energy independent again, and Kansas has a role to play in accomplishing that mission."

Senator Jerry Moran, Marysville Advocate, "Time to Unleash Kansas Energy", October 2022



# Thank you

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