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SB-185

Testimony of Day & Zimmermann, Inc. (attached)

Lack of Due Process / Lack of Information to determine advocacy

Day & Zimmermann plays a vital role in the defense sector by manufacturing, storing and demilitarizing a wide variety of ammunition products and providing related services to customers in the U.S. government and approved foreign countries. We employ over 80 Kansans.

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Day & Zimmermann (D&Z) presently employs over 80 Southeast Kansas residents and provides critically needed munitions to the US Military and is the largest entity occupying the Great Plains Industrial Park being serviced by the Great Plains Development Authority (GPDA). Continued access to affordable and reliable utilities (including water) services is absolutely essential for the manufacturing of munitions and the sustainability of our plant. However, we did not learn about today's hearing until Thursday, February 8, 2018 when we were informed by a neighboring corporate citizen, nor have we been provided any information by the GPDA regarding its plan or proposal relating to the implementation of SB-185. In short, for those reasons we are not adequately prepared to indicate whether we are a proponent or an opponent.

Maintaining operations in Southeast Kansas into the future requires substantial investment by D&Z in infrastructure and operational resources. D&Z can state unequivocally that it is presently reluctant to make decisions to continue to invest in the future of our Kansas business until the GPDA can demonstrate by its actions that it has a plan to provide our plant with reliable and continuous utility services (to include water) for years to come. In addition, D&Z is deeply concerned by the lack of communications from the GPDA regarding this process and SB-185 in particular, as well as the GPDA's failure to timely respond to D&Z's proposals regarding issues of concern expressed by D&Z. The GPDA's conduct on this topic forces us to question whether we have a partner in the GPDA to help solve these problems.

D&Z recognizes that the long term success of the Southeast Kansas community depends upon Government and private entities to cooperate and work together to solve problems. We urge this body to emphasize that need to the GPDA.

Thank you for providing us with this opportunity to provide you with our comments. D&Z remains willing and ready to work with any member of the Southeast Kansas community and the greater Kansas State to help solve issues of mutual concern.