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152nd District

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Legislators Demand Results for Reynolds County Residents
Joint Statement from Sen. Kevin Engler and Rep. J.C. Kuessner

“More than a year has passed since the Taum Sauk reservoir collapsed. The people of Reynolds and Iron Counties have waited more than 400 days for accountability and they are still waiting. This is unacceptable. We want Ameren to be held accountable by paying for the damage that has been done and paying to rebuild the reservoir, without passing the cost on to their customers. We also want the state to invest a portion of the money they collect from fines assessed to Ameren in Reynolds and Iron Counties.

More than 400 days jobs have been gone. More than 400 days our tourism industry has suffered. More than 400 days the people of Reynolds and Iron Counties have lived in limbo waiting for accountability and resolution. More than 400 days is too long. We call on the governor, attorney general, Department of Natural Resources and Ameren to put people before politics and do what is right so the people of Reynolds and Iron counties can move forward with their lives.”

Kevin Engler
3rd Senate District

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STATEMENT

**Senate President Pro Tem Michael R. Gibbons Calls for Swift
Resolution to Taum Sauk Reservoir Collapse**

"More than a year has passed since the Taum Sauk reservoir collapsed. Negotiations have been delayed by a lawsuit and the people are left unable to rebuild. I'm interested in putting the people before politics to find a swift resolution. I call on all government agencies involved with this to speak with one voice to put the needs of the people of Reynolds and Iron Counties first."

-Senate President Pro Tem Michael R. Gibbons
15th Senatorial District