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The Honorable Dennis Hedke, Chairperson House Committee on Energy and Environment Statehouse, Room 581-W Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Hedke:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2037 by House Vision 2020 Committee

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2037 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2037 would allow any tax exempt locality to purchase electricity generated by a renewable energy facility from a renewable energy generator. The tax exempt locality would be required to provide the utility serving the locality notice of intent to install a renewable energy facility at least 90 days prior to energizing the facility. A renewable energy facility could not exceed the tax exempt locality's baseline annual usage over the prior three years or the anticipated load if new construction had been completed within the prior three years. Tax exempt localities would be required to enter into a contract with the utility, according to specific terms and conditions outlined in the bill.

The bill would also exclude any renewable energy generator with an association with a renewable energy facility from the definition of a public utility and also from the definition of a retail electric supplier.

The Kansas Corporation Commission indicates that the passage of HB 2037 would have a negligible fiscal effect on the agency.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,

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