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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UTILITIES.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl D. Holmes at 9:08 a.m. on January 28, 2005 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Eric Carter - Excused
Representative Melody Miller - Excused

Committee staff present: Mary Galligan, Legislative Research
Dennis Hodgins, Legislative Research
Mary Torrence, Revisor of Statutes
Jo Cook, Administrative Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Mary Galligan, Kansas Legislative Research Department, Topeka, KS
Ron Hammerschmidt, Kansas Dept.of Health & Environment, Topeka, KS

Others attending: See Attached List

Chairman Holmes welcomed Mary Galligan, Assistant Director - Information Management for the Kansas Legislative Research Department (KLRD), to address the committee on Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal. Ms. Galligan distributed copies of KLRD's documentation on low-level radioactive waste disposal from the Kansas Legislator Briefing Book 2005 ([Attachment 1](#)). She outlined the history of the Central Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact and it's current status.

Ron Hammerschmidt, Director, Division of Environment for the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, appeared before the committee in the capacity of Alternate Commissioner for Kansas to the Central Interstate Low-Level radioactive Waste Commission ([Attachment 2](#)). Dr. Hammerschmidt included in his testimony the most recent annual report from the Commission and provided an update on the Commission's recent activities. Dr. Hammerschmidt responded to questions from the committee.

The meeting adjourned at 9:59 a.m.

The next meeting is Tuesday, February 1, 2005 at 9:00 a.m.