

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ENERGY AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl Holmes at 9:00 A.M. on January 10, 2007 in Room 241-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Vaughn Flora- excused
Annie Kuether- excused
Tom Sloan- excused

Committee staff present:

Mary Galligan, Kansas Legislative Research
Dennis Hodgins, Kansas Legislative Research
Mary Torrence, Revisor's Office
Jason Long, Revisor's Office
Rena Hansen, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Dick Brewster, BP America
Ron Gaches
Mike Murrey, Embark
John Penegar, Doug Smith, Shirley Allen, Independent Telephone Company
John Federico, KTKA
Kimberly Winn, Kansas League of Municipalities
Tom Thompson, Sierra Club
Joe Dick, Kansas City Board of Public Utilities
Ed Cross, KIOGA
Kimberly Gencur, ITC, Great Plains
Colin Hansen, Kansas Municipal Utilities
Phil Wages, KEPCo
Steve Johnson, Whitney Damron, Kansas Gas Service, ONEOK
Wes Ashton, Aquila
Duane Simpson, John Bottenburg, Kansas Association of Ethanol Processors
Mark Schreiber, Westar Energy
Paul Schnieder, KC Power and Light
Jim Gardner, at&t
Ken Peterson, Kansas Petroleum Council
Gina Bauman-Morrill, Coffeerville Resources
David Springe, CURB
Steve Miller, Sunflower Electric Power Cooperative
Dave Holthaus, Kansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc.
Larry Berg, Midwest Energy, Inc.
Tom Day, Kansas Corporation Commission
Doug Smith, SW Kansas Royalty Owners Association
Lon Stanton, Government Relations, LLC

Others attending:

See attached list.

Chairman Holmes allowed any interested businesses, organizations, or state agencies to introduce themselves to the committee, tell a little bit about their organization and briefly explain any legislation or topics of information that the committee might be hearing over the course of the session. Listed above are the companies, organizations, or individuals that capitalized on the opportunity.

Additionally the chairman requested that Sunflower Electric Power Cooperative, Kansas Electric Cooperatives Inc., and Midwest Energy, Inc talk openly about the damage that was done by the ice storm in South Western Kansas, and to tell of the measures each organization and community was taking to restore power and transmission lines to the area.

CONTINUATION SHEET

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Questions were asked and comments made by Representatives: Vern Swanson, Peggy Mast, Oletha Faust-Goudeau, and Carl Holmes.

The next meeting will be on January 11, 2007.

Meeting Adjourned.