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Good morning Chairman Holmes and members of the committee. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of SB 419.

This bill is straight forward as to what it wants to accomplish, which is to determine the aggregate statewide retail rate impact for utilities meeting the state's renewable energy standard. Westar Energy does not object to the reporting. The Senate Utilities committee included an amendment we offered, which would have the KCC identify how the aggregate rate impact is calculated and eventually reported to the governor and respective legislative utilities committees.

Thank you again for the opportunity to testify.