February 5, 2013

The Honorable Pat Apple, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Utilities
Statehouse, Room 224-E
Topeka, Kansas  66612

Dear Senator Apple:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for SB 82 by Senate Committee on Utilities

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 82 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 82 would amend current law regarding the compliance timeframes for the Kansas renewable energy portfolio standards. The current requirement of not less than ten percent of electricity generation capacity from renewable sources by 2015 would be changed to 2017. The current requirement of not less than 15.0 percent between 2016 and 2019 would be changed to between 2018 and 2023, and the current requirement of not less than 20.0 percent beginning in 2020 would be changed to 2024. The Kansas Corporation Commission would be allowed to delay each requirement date for good cause shown, which may include but is not limited to a lack of firm transmission or excessive costs to retail electric customers. The bill would define firm transmission service, but would not define excessive costs.

The passage of SB 82 would have no fiscal effect for the Kansas Corporation Commission or the Citizens Utility Ratepayer Board.

Sincerely,

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