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Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Stan Clark at 9:30 a.m. on January 11, 2001 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Wagle, excused

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research

Emalene Correll, Legislative Research Tom Severn, Legislative Research Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes Lisa Montgomery, Revisor of Statutes

John C. Crowder, Intern

Conferees appearing before the committee:

John McNish, Attorney, KCC Walker Hendrix, CURB

Others attending: List not passed for signatures

Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC)

John McNish, Advisory Counsel, KCC, described the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the history of federal regulation of electricity and natural gas and recent FERC cases in which the KCC has participated. (Attachment 1)

Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board (CURB)

Walker Hendrix, consumer counselor for CURB, testified on utility issues of the past, present and future. (Attachment 2)

Minutes of the meetings of the Senate Utilities Committee held on January 9 and 10, 2001 were approved by the committee.

Next meeting of the Senate Utilities Committee will be held on Tuesday, January 16 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 231-N.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted, Ann McMorris, Secretary

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