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MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE.

The joint meeting of the House and Senate Utilities Committees was called to order by Chairperson Carl Holmes at 9:30 a.m. on January 16, 2002 in Room 526-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Raney Gilliland, Legislative Research Ann McMorris, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: none

Others attending: see attached list

Chairman Holmes called on Larry Holloway of Kansas Corporation Commission who presented update on regional transmission organizations (RTO) with slides and a comprehensive explanation of each. Slides covered (1) profile of electric power system; (2) map of Kansas electric transmission lines; (3) southwest power pool map; (4) FERC regions and control areas; (5) transmission, generation and demand trends; (6) system congestion; (7) FERC Order 888 - requirements of all transmission owers; (8) FERC order 888 RTO policies; (9) FERC order 2000; (10) Order 2000 required filings; (11) Order 2000 minimum RTO characteristics; (12) Order 2000 required RTO Functions; (13) Map of RTOs; (14) Midwest RTOs; (15) FERC July 2001 Orders, October & November 2001; (16)FERC 12/20/01 orders; (17) Map of MISO and ARTO; (18) FERC MISO conditions; (19) Future FERC Actions; (20) KCC RTO Activity.

(Attachment 1)

Tom Day of KCC introduced Paula Lentz, KCC assistant general counsel who presented a report on Kansas ad valorem tax refund matters. (Attachment 2)

The next meeting of the joint committees will be on Wednesday, January 23, 2002.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted, Ann McMorris, Secretary

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