Approved: February 14, 2006 Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jay Emler at 9:30 A.M. on February 9, 2006 in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

Committee members absent:

Committee staff present: Athena Andaya, Kansas Legislative Research Department Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes' Office Diana Lee, Revisor of Statutes' Office Ann McMorris, Committee Secretary Leeann Hirshfield, Intern for Sen. Emler

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others in attendance: See attached list

Continuation of hearing on **SB 414 - Enacting the gas safety and reliability policy act**.

Steve Johnson, Kansas Gas Service, explained the proposed amendments to **S.B. 414**, which would clarify how charges are made and limit the charge to 40 cents per customer, per month, per year. (Attachment 1)

Committee questioned representatives from KCC and CURB on the various changes and asked for further explanation on how the rate is determined and if refunds are made if there is an overcharged rate.

Chairman closed the hearing on SB 414.

Chairman indicated further discussion and possible action on **SB 414** would be scheduled for Wednesday, February 15.

Chairman announced that further discussion and possible action on **SB 463** would be placed on the agenda for Monday, February 13.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Senator Reitz, seconded by Senator Apple, minutes of the meetings of the Senate Utilities Committee held on February 7, 2006 and February 8, 2006 be approved. Motion carried.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann McMorris, Secretary

Attachments - 1