Approved: Jan. 19, 2005

Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The joint meeting of the House and Senate Utilities Committees was called to order by Chairman Carl Dean Holmes at 9:30 a.m. on January 18, 2005 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

Conferees appearing before the committee: Edward P. Cross, EVP, Kansas Independent Oil & Gas Association (KIOGA)

Others attending: See attached list

Briefing by Kansas Independent Oil and Gas Association

Edward P. Cross, executive vice president, KIOGA, presented a power point presentation which included a listing of the challenges the industry faces, key energy issues, Kansas oil and gas industry statistics, production figures, Kansas and US energy issues, marketing strategies and pricing, taxation of the Oil and Gas Industry, current public relations activities to promote a more positive image and educational programs. (Attachment 1)

Committee members questioned Mr. Cross regarding risks and costs involved in drilling new holes and when the various taxes were imposed on the oil and gas industry.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann McMorris, Secretary

Attachments - 1

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE Senate Utilities Committee at 9:30 A.M. on January 18, 2005 in Room 526-S of the Capitol.