

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pat Apple at 1:30 p.m. on January 20, 2009 in Room 446-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Senator Bruce - excused

Committee staff present:
Ann McMorris, Administrative Assistant
Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research
Cindy Lash, Kansas Legislative Research
Mike Corrigan, Kansas Legislative Revisor
Melissa Doeblin, Kansas Legislative Revisor

Conferees appearing before the committee:
Tom Wright, Chairman, Kansas Corporation Commission
Marge Petty, KCC

Others attending:
See attached list.

Chairperson Apple called the meeting to order.

Overview of the Kansas Corporation Commission

KCC Chairman Tom Wright reviewed KCC responsibilities of ensuring that natural gas and electricity utilities provide safe, adequate and reliable services at reasonable rates. He mentioned the current issues KCC is dealing with and the proposed legislation for the 2009 session. (Attachment 1)

Third Party Pay Stations

Marge Petty of KCC, reported on the charge in **SR 1832** passed by the 2008 Legislature which urged KCC to examine third party pay stations for utility payments and provide a written report to the 2009 Legislature. The report contains the KCC recommendations, history of pay station locations in Kansas, research of KCC dockets, activity by other states and conclusions. (Attachment 2)

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann McMorris
Committee Assistant

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