

## MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dennis Hedke at 9:00 am on Friday, January 16, 2015, 582-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

- Representative Randy Powell – Excused
- Representative Kasha Kelley – Excused
- Representative Mike Kiegerl – Excused
- Representative Harold Lane – Excused
- Representative John Carmichael – Excused

Committee staff present:

- Cindy Lash, Legislative Research Department
- Patricia Kready, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant
- Erica Haas, Legislative Research Department
- Matt Sterling, Office of Revisor of Statutes
- Nick Myers, Office of Revisor of Statutes

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

- Mark Schreiber, Westar Energy
- Scott Jones, KCPL
- Whitney Damron, Empire District Electric
- Mike Morley, Midwest Energy
- Phil Wages, Kansas Electric Power Cooperative
- Dave Holthaus, Kansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc.
- Clare Gustin, Sunflower Electric Power Corporation
- Colin Hansen, Kansas Municipal Utilities

Others in attendance:

[See Attached List](#)

### **Presentations by Electric Utility Lobbyists**

Mark Schreiber, Vice President, Government Affairs, Westar Energy presented an overview of the company.

[\(Attachment 1 \)](#)

Scott Jones, Manager of Government Affairs, KCP&L presented an overview of the company.

[\(Attachment 2 \)](#)

Whitney Damron, on behalf of The Empire District Electric Company presented an overview of the company.

[\(Attachment 3\)](#)

## CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES of the Committee on Energy and Environment at 9:00 am on Friday, January 16, 2015, 582-N of the Capitol.

Mike Morley, Corporate Communications Manager, Midwest Energy presented an overview of the company.

[\(Attachment 4\)](#)

Phil Wages for Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. introduced the new CEO - Marcus Harris, then presented an overview of the company.

[\(Attachment 5\)](#)

Dave Holthaus, Vice President of Government Relations, Kansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc. presented an overview of the company.

[\(Attachment 6\)](#) [\(Attachment 7\)](#)

Chairman Hedke introduced Tom Day, Legislative Administrative Services, pointing out that he was with the KCC previously for 27 years.

Clare Gustin, Vice President, Member Services & external Affairs, Sunflower Electric Power Corporation presented an overview of the company.

[\(Attachment 8\)](#)

Colin Hansen, Executive Director, Kansas Municipal Utilities presented an overview of the company. Mr. Hansen additionally mentioned the Kansas City BPU packet included for the committee.

[\(Attachment 9\)](#) [\(Attachment 10\)](#)

Following all of the presentations, they stood for questions.

Colin Hansen elaborated briefly on Retail Wheeling/Deregulation at Chairman Hedke's request.

The next meeting is Wednesday, January 21, 2015.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Hedke at 9:48 am.