

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Robert Olson at 1:32pm on Wednesday, January 13, 2016, 548-S of the Capitol.

All members were present

Committee staff present:

Matt Sterling, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Michael Welton, Kansas Legislative Committee Assistant
Heather O'Hara, Legislative Research Department
Natalie Nelson, Legislative Research Department

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Steven Dorf - Kansas Fiber Network (KFN - Wichita)
Gary Mason and Thomas Gross - Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE)
Jeff McClanahan - Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC)

Others in attendance:

[See Attached List](#)

Chairman Olson welcomed everyone in attendance and called for any possible bill introductions.

Possible bill introductions

Bill introduction was proposed by Clare Gustin of Sunflower Electric Power Corporation to protect the incumbent utilities' rights of first refusal for the construction of transmission lines of voltages below 200 KV.

Senator Petersen motioned to accept the bill introduction and it was seconded by Senator Masterson. The committee accepted the bill introduction.

Presentation on: Kansas fiber network

Steven Dorf provided a presentation on the Kansas fiber network. ([Attachment #1](#))

Committee comments and questions ensued.

Presentation on: Clean Power Plan (CPP)

Gary Mason and Thomas Gross provided an update of the Clean Power Plan from the perspective of KDHE. ([Attachment #2](#))

Committee questions and comments ensued.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES of the Committee on Utilities at 1:32pm on Wednesday, January 13, 2016 in Room 548-S of the Capitol.

Jeff McClanahan provided an update on the Clean Power Plan from the perspective of KCC.
([Attachment #3](#))

Committee questions and comments ensued.

Chairman Olson adjourned the meeting at 2:30 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2016.