

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pat Apple at 1:30 p.m. on March 5, 2009, in Room 545-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except  
Senator Emler, excused

Committee staff present:

Melissa Doeblin, Office of the Revisor of Statutes  
Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Ann McMorris, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Joe Harkins, Commissioner, Kansas Corporation Commission,

Others attending:

See attached list.

Chairman Apple opened the meeting.

Continuation of the

Presentation on Federal Stimulus Package, Energy and Rate Making

Joe Harkins, Commissioner, Kansas Corporation Commission, discussed Strategy 2 - encourage development of dynamic pricing. Study would focus on dynamic pricing programs that send more accurate price signals to customers. The project would study (1) method of cost recovery; (2) rate design; (3) bill format; (4) infrastructure requirements; (5) modeling; (6) pilot projects; and customer education requirements. Strategy 2 would achieve KCC goals: (1) reduced energy usage; (2) reduced emissions of carbon dioxide and other pollutants; and (3) stimulate economic activity by using highly effective, market-based method for reducing consumer demand for electricity. (Attachment 1)

The next meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann McMorris  
Committee Assistant

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