

MINUTES OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT FOR THE FUTURE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Don Myers at 1:30 PM on February 20, 2008 in Room 784 of the Docking State Office Building.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Mike Corrigan, Revisor of Statutes Office
Melissa Doebelin, Revisor of Statutes Office
Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Mary K. Galligan, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Barbara Lewerenz, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Larry Holloway, KCC, Chief of Energy Operations
Liz Brosius, Kansas Energy Council, Director

Others attending:

See attached list.

Moved by Representative Whitham, seconded by Representative Proehl for approval of the Minutes of the House Select Committee on Energy and Environment for the Future held February 18, 2008. Motion Carried.

Vice Chairman Olson introduced Larry Holloway, Chief of Energy Operations, Kansas Corporation Commission, who presented a power-point briefing on *Present Electric Power Availability and Future Needs*. Mr. Holloway defined electric generation terms. He gave forecasts of Kansas peak demand and energy needs; existing generation capacity and needed generation capacity for the future. He used a series of charts and graphs to show past, present and future needs. He emphasized the wind development is an important resource, but cannot substitute for dispatchable generation capacity, and that in the next 20 years existing Kansas generation capacity will need to be replaced. (See Attachment 1)

Vice Chairman Olson introduced Liz Brosius, Kansas Energy Council Director who briefed the committee on the Kansas Energy Council that was authorized in 2002 by former Governor Graves and reformulated by Governor Sebelius. The council is a 35 member energy policy advisory group chaired by Ken Frahm and Lt Governor Mark Parkinson with the purpose of developing background information and making policy recommendations on selected energy topics.

In 2006, the committee made recommendations on wind generation and the feasibility of carbon capture and storage with respect to coal generation. In 2007, the committee requested and heard presentations on the status of nuclear energy nationwide. Currently the committee has agreed to study utility generation, base load investment, CO2 emissions and anticipated demand on utilities in the future. (See Attachment 2)

Vice Chairman Olson announced the next meeting is on February 21, 2008. Representative Tom Sloan will brief the committee on *Present and Future Electric Power Supply and Progress in Development of Alternative Sources of Electric Energy*.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:45 p.m.