

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Pat Apple at 9:30 A.M. on January 27, 2005 in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

Committee members absent:

Committee staff present: Athena Andaya, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes' Office
Diana Lee, Revisor of Statutes' Office
Ann McMorris, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Carl Huslig, Vice President, Transmission, Aquila

Others in attendance: See attached list

Presentation on Kansas Transmission 2005

Carl Huslig, vice president, Aquila Network, in his power point presentation answered questions such as – what is electric transmission?; what is an RTO?; what is SPP?; what is Regulation; what is transmission pricing? And What do Kansas Legislators do NOW? Mr. Huslig briefed the committee on electricity fundamentals, the transmission system, definitions, transmission characteristics and facts, the role of the North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC) and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the Aquila Networks - WPK Transmission system, Kansas Transmission Barriers, Transmission pricing, and the Southwest Power Pool (SPP). (Attachment 1)

Committee questioned the time schedule and cost of building transmission lines and connecting with the neighboring states and the potential of wind energy.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann McMorris
Secretary

Attachment - 1