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The Honorable Dennis Hedke, Chairperson House Committee on Energy and Environment Statehouse, Room 581-W Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Hedke:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2623 by House Committee on Energy and Environment

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2623 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2623 would grant an incumbent electric transmission owner the right to construct, own, and maintain a new local electric transmission line, if that line has been approved by the Southwest Power Pool and connects to the owner's existing lines. New local electric transmission lines that would interconnect existing lines owned by two or more incumbent electric transmission owners would belong individually and equally to each owner unless otherwise agreed upon in writing. The bill would not affect an incumbent electric transmission owner's use and control of existing property rights. "Incumbent electric transmission owner," "local electric transmission line," and "Southwest Power Pool" are defined by the bill.

According to the Kansas Corporation Commission, passage of HB 2623 would have no fiscal effect on the agency budget.

Sincerely,

Shawn Sullivan,

Director of the Budget

cc: Amy Gilbert, KCC