

**Testimony of Paul Snider
Before the Senate Utilities Committee
In Support of Senate Bill 128
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Kansas City Power & Light supports the Kansas Energy Council's efforts to promote energy efficiency and conservation in Kansas.

KCP&L has spent the last several years strongly advocating the promotion of energy efficiency, as evidenced by its Comprehensive Energy Plan that includes a variety of affordability, energy efficiency and demand response programs. Since approval of KCP&L's Comprehensive Energy Plan by the Kansas Corporation Commission in 2005, energy efficiency has received an increased level of attention and national focus.

Senate Bill 128 will allow the creation of an advisory group to work with the Kansas Energy Office and the Kansas Corporation Commission to implement standards for energy efficiency education efforts. An important part of the legislation is the flexibility it affords utilities to tailor education efforts to its own customers.

To improve the bill, we have the following suggestions:

- Page 2, lines 17-18: delete "which shall be defined as a percentage of energy consumption." Measuring benefits in this way is very challenging.
- Page 2, line 38: Change to require the Kansas Energy Office and/or the KCC to deliver the report to the Legislature (not individual utilities).
- Page 3, lines 6-8: Ensure utilities receive cost recovery, including implementation, planning, design, promotion and evaluation costs.

KCP&L will be happy to work with the industry and the Kansas Energy Council to develop agreed upon amendments regarding these suggestions.

Kansas City Power & Light looks forward to sharing our positive experiences with the newly formed advisory group and other stakeholders. Changing behavior takes time and consistent education and the sooner you get started, the better. That's why KCP&L supports the passage of SB 128.

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