

**Testimony in Support of House Bill No. 2407  
Before the Senate Utilities Committee**

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Kansas City Power & Light Company supports House Bill 2407. This bill authorizes Kansas representatives from the state corporation commission to participate fully in all decision-making bodies of a regional transmission organization (RTO).

It is our understanding that there have been questions as to whether or not the commission currently has sufficient authorization to participate in such decision-making bodies. Whether or not such authorization currently exists, KCP&L feels that it is very much in the interests of the state to directly participate in the activities and decision-making processes of any RTO within the state and supports such state involvement. Many issues related to regional transmission development, transmission services, reliability, and wholesale energy markets that affect electric service in the region (including Kansas) are discussed and decided in an open, stakeholder-driven process at the RTO. It is very important that Kansas be directly represented in this process. It is only through direct involvement that the interests of Kansas will be considered as decisions that impact the region are made. This bill makes it clear that Kansas representatives are authorized to participate.

Thank you for your consideration.

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