

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ENERGY AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Carl Holmes at 9:15 A.M. on February 1, 2008 in Room 783 of the Docking State Office Building.

All members were present except:

Dan Johnson- excused

Committee staff present:

Mary Galligan, Kansas Legislative Research

Melissa Doeblin, Revisor's Office

Renae Hansen, Committee Administrative Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Tom Wright, Chairman, Kansas Corporation Commission, (KCC)

Ken Frahm, Co-Chair, Kansas Energy Council (KEC)

Others attending:

Twenty Seven including the attached list.

Tom Wright, Chairman, KCC, ([Attachment 1](#)), presented a brief synopsis of the KCC annual report to the committee noting that the full report is available on CD and he told where all the reports and rulings could be found online. He noted that the nuclear round table meeting will be on February 28<sup>th</sup> and that the speakers will be video taped and put online for viewing.

Questions were asked and comments made by Representatives: Tom Sloan, and Carl Holmes.

Ken Frahm, Co-Chair, KEC, presented a power-point giving an overview on the 2007 KEC activities ([Attachment 2](#)). Additionally, a report of the Kansas Energy Plan 2008, was given to the committee and can be found the KEC website, ([Attachment 3](#)). Mr. Frahm also provided the committee with the Kansas Energy Chart Book 2008 that can also be acquired through the KEC office.

Questions were asked and comments made by Representatives: Tom Hawk, Carl Holmes, Cindy Neighbor, Forrest Knox, Vaughn Flora, Tom Moxley, and Oletha Faust-Goudeau.

Liz Brosius, KEC Director, also helped answer some of the questions that were asked by the committee. Norma Phillips, Deputy Director, Kansas Housing Resource Center, contributed to answering some of the committees' questions.

It was noted that by 2014 all incandescent light bulbs under 101 watts will be outlawed for sale or production in the United States.

Representative Carl Holmes spoke to the committee on some recent activities involved in the progress of the upgraded process of improving the waste storage and reprocessing of nuclear waste. The nuclear waste reprocessing process would thereby eliminate approximately 90% of the waste product of nuclear fission. Additionally, he shared with the committee some of the energy meetings he was privileged to get to attend in China and Canada.

Questions were asked by Representatives : Tom Moxley, Vaughn Flora, Terry McLachlan, Peggy Mast, and Margaret Long.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 4<sup>th</sup> in 313-S in the Capitol and 9 am. And the committee will meet there all of the next week.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.