Approved: <u>3-16-2009</u>

Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pat Apple at 1:30 p.m. on February 26, 2009, in Room 545-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except Senator Emler, excused Senator McGinn, excused

Committee staff present:

Mike Corrigan, Office of the Revisor of Statutes Melissa Doeblin, Office of the Revisor of Statutes Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department Cindy Lash, Kansas Legislative Research Department Ann McMorris, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee: none

Others attending: See attached list.

Chair opened the meeting and continued discussion on: <u>SB 265 - Energy conservation and electric generation, transmission and efficiency and air emissions.</u>

Chair continued discussion on **SB 265** and asked for an explanation of net metering and parallel generation which was provided by Phil Wages of KEPCO. He explained that net metering is figured at the end of the month and there is no pay until the consumption matching generation. With parallel generation, the consumer may use 50 mgw and produce 150 mgw and he is paid 150% for the mgw over 50 and pays for his consumption.

Mike Corrigan, Revisor's Office, explained the balloon of **SB 265** with amendments proposed by the electric cooperatives and provided an electric cooperative amendment explainer. (Attachment 1)

After considerable discussion on the various amendments,

Moved by Senator Taddiken, seconded by Senator Petersen, to adopt the electric cooperatives balloon of **SB 265** minus the insurance language. Motion carried.

A proposed amendment on KCC findings to SB 265 was distributed to the committee. (Attachment 2)

Moved by Senator Masterson, seconded by Senator Petersen, to adopt the proposed amendment regarding KCC making a finding. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Senator Petersen, seconded by Senator Reitz, to approve the minutes of the Senate Utilities Committee meetings held on February 12, 17, 18, 19 and 24, 2009. Motion carried.

The Chair indicated possible action and discussion would continue on SB 265 next week.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 2, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann McMorris Committee Assistant

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