

Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.

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House Energy and Utilities Committee

Testimony on behalf of Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (KEPCo)

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee, I am Phil Wages with Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc (KEPCo).

KEPCo imports 100 MW of firm hydroelectric capacity and 120,000 MWh's of contract peaking energy, in addition to historically receiving approximately 140,000 MWh's of supplemental energy, annually from the Southwestern Power Administration (SWPA) and 14 MW of firm hydroelectric capacity and 88,236 MWh's of energy annually from the Western Area Power Administration (WAPA). This equates to 27.4% of KEPCo's nineteen Member electric distribution cooperatives peak coincident demand for the three year average period of 2008 through 2010.

KEPCo's hydroelectric allocation is KEPCo's least cost generation resource. KEPCo has had a Purchase Power Agreement with SWPA since 1979 and WAPA since 1987. KEPCo's hydroelectric resource complies with the Renewable Energy Standards Act through 2020 and has not caused an increase in KEPCo's revenue requirement or caused an increase in the retail rates of KEPCo's nineteen Member electric distribution cooperatives.

Mr. Chairman, this concludes my testimony and I will stand for questions at the appropriate time.

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