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To: Members, House Committee on Energy and Utilities
From: Brian Turnbull, Legislative Fellow
Re: Hydraulic Fracturing Companies Operating in Kansas

Representative Frownfelter requested a list of companies that conduct hydraulic fracturing in Kansas, including their qualifications. This information is not readily available, because these companies work as subcontractors to the actual lease operators, and are not regulated by the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) as the lease operators are.

We worked with Ed Cross, President of the Kansas Independent Oil and Gas Association (KIOGA) to obtain a list of the six companies that reportedly conduct the vast majority of fracturing operation in Kansas. We were not able to make contact with some of the companies, but obtained information about their experience with fracturing whenever possible.

The cost of equipment required for hydraulic fracturing is substantial, which could help deter unqualified companies. We were told equipment costs for fracturing range from \$2 - 3 million for shallow wells, and up to \$20 million for large, multi-stage horizontal wells such as typically seen in south-central Kansas.

Kansas Companies Conducting Hydraulic Fracturing in the State

- Consolidated Oil Well Services LLC - Chanute, KS (620) 431-9210
 - The predominant fracturing service provider in eastern Kansas.
 - Fractured roughly 1,350 wells in Kansas in 2011, and roughly 800 in 2010.
- Basic Energy Services LP - Wichita, KS (316) 262-3699
 - Predominant fracturing service provider in western Kansas.
 - Over 200 wells fractured annually.

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Out of State Companies Conducting Hydraulic Fracturing in Kansas

- Cudd Energy Services - Houston, TX (832) 295-5555
 - Over 10 years of hydraulic fracturing experience.
- Gore Nitrogen Pumping Service LLC - Oklahoma City, OK (405) 231-1800
 - 10 years of hydraulic fracturing experience.
- Halliburton Energy Services - Oklahoma City, OK (405) 231-1800
 - Developed hydraulic fracturing in the 1940s and fractured the first well in Kansas in the 1950s.
- Schlumberger Oilfield Services Inc. - Oklahoma City, OK (405) 840-1621