

**KS Electric  
Transmission Authority  
KETA**

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*Representative  
Carl Holmes,  
Chairperson*

Interested Parties:

*Earnie Lehman,  
Vice-Chairperson*

KETA was created in 2005 by enactment of HB 2263, the Kansas Electric Transmission Authority Act. Our mission is to ensure reliable operation of the electrical transmission system, diversify and expand the Kansas economy and facilitate consumption of Kansas energy through improvements in the state's electric transmission infrastructure. We work principally with the Southwest Power Pool (SPP) and its stakeholders in identifying these needs. However, there may be specific Kansas needs not adequately addressed by the SPP. That concern leads to this letter.

*Tim McKee,  
Secretary*

*Senator Pat Apple*

*Les Evans*

The SPP focuses on regional transmission needs. It is concerned both with the reliability of service and enabling generating resources to be dispatched (used) as efficiently as possible. At its core, the SPP seeks to anticipate and respond to the needs of its stakeholders. Those stakeholders include 1) load-serving entities (LSE's), regardless of whether they own transmission facilities, 2) those seeking to provide energy to LSE's, including renewable energy providers and 3) regulatory agencies. In this respect the SPP is much like KETA.

*Representative  
Annie Kuether*

*Senator Janis Lee*

You've received this letter because KETA seeks to understand how your interests might not be adequately addressed through the existing SPP process. For example, there may be localized transmission needs or specific transmission service requirements and benefits that aren't being captured and met by the SPP. KETA requests you provide whatever specific guidance you can in response to this letter. Certain respondents may be asked to come and present more information at a future KETA business meeting.

Thank you for your assistance.

Respectfully,

Representative Carl Holmes, Chairperson  
Kansas Electric Transmission Authority