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PRICES AREN'T ONLY SOARING AT THE PUMP – COMMISSION TO MOVE TO SCRUTINIZE FUEL COSTS AT ELECTRIC UTILITIES

Oklahoma Corporation Commissioners are expected to today to approve a Notice of Inquiry (NOI) to begin developing new rules aimed at giving the Commission the ability to take a closer look at the energy costs of electric utilities under Commission jurisdiction. These energy costs are passed on to customers in a separate charge on the bill, called the Fuel Adjustment Clause (FAC). Because of rising energy costs, the FAC is fast becoming a major factor in a customer's total bill.

Commissioners will vote on the NOI at 1:30 p.m. this afternoon (Thursday). They are available for interviews at any time. Interviews can be arranged through Matt Skinner (521-4180, cell 833-2242).

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