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CONGRESSMAN JERRY MORAN TOURS FLINT HILLS TECHNICAL COLLEGE

**Tour will underscore the challenge facing electric utilities of recruiting skilled workers
to replace an aging workforce.**

TOPEKA, Kan., Nov. 28, 2007 — First District Congressman Jerry Moran will hear from Westar Energy representatives and educators about the challenges facing the electric industry, specifically the need to recruit more students into electric industry and power plant technology courses during a tour of the Flint Hills Technical College, 3301 W 18th Ave., Emporia, on Thursday, Nov. 29, 2007, from about 1:40 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. The FHTC tour coincides with the Lyon County stop during Moran’s annual Big First Listening Tour.

Westar Energy, as well as the electric industry nationally, is facing a shortage of skilled workers needed to replace its retirees. FHTC leaders and Westar Energy representatives hope Moran’s visit will increase awareness about electric industry careers and the skill-specific training that is offered at FHTC, and encourage high school students to consider careers in the electric industry.

Westar Energy and Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation are partners with FHTC.

Westar Energy, Inc. (NYSE: WR) is the largest electric utility in Kansas, providing electric service to about 674,000 customers in the state. Westar Energy has about 6,100 megawatts of electric generation capacity and operates and coordinates approximately 33,000 miles of electric distribution and transmission lines.

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