



**Energy Choice Act Hearing Written Testimony for
Kansas Senate Utilities Committee Hearing
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Willdan Performance Engineering, located in Lawrence, Kansas, is submitting this written testimony in opposition to Senate Bill 24 (2021 session) the Energy Choice Act. Prior to joining Willdan, we did projects throughout the state as 360 Engineers; we are an engineering firm that specializes in energy performance improvements for existing buildings. We have done dozens of projects throughout the state for school districts as well as county and city governments.

Willdan Performance Engineering routinely develops life-cycle cost analysis for building mechanical (HVAC) systems that compare all options, both fossil fuel-based and all-electric. We have no qualms specifying say a natural gas solution; however, we as a corporation are committed to environmental stewardship and fundamentally support a local government's right to choose to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through setting aspirational goals or mandating the elimination of burning hydrocarbon fuels say for space heating applications.

Because of our support for clean energy Willdan Performance Engineering is also a member of the Clean Energy Business Council.

Willdan recently published an inaugural Sustainability Report that affirms our commitment to help our customers reduce their carbon footprint:

Willdan Publishes Inaugural Sustainability Report

ANAHEIM, Calif.—([BUSINESS WIRE](#))—Willdan Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: WLDN), an industry-leading electric grid solutions provider, engineering firm, and sustainability consultant, recently published its inaugural Sustainability Report. This report will be updated and published on an annual basis.

“Climate change mitigation is embedded in Willdan’s DNA, and our work tackles this essential challenge every day,” said Tom Brisbin, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. “Our teams design, lead, and support projects that help customers reduce their carbon intensity to become cleaner, more sustainable organizations.”

Willdan is committed to environmental stewardship; the health, welfare, and development of its employees; and the support of its local communities. This report is Willdan’s first step toward monitoring, reporting, and improving its environmental, social, and governance performance. The full Willdan Sustainability Report is available at http://willdan.com/sustainability/Willdan_SustainabilityReport2020.pdf. Any questions related to Willdan’s sustainability policies, initiatives, and performance may be sent to sustainability@willdan.com.

About Willdan

Willdan is a nationwide provider of professional technical and consulting services to utilities, government agencies, and private industry. Willdan's service offerings span a broad set of complementary disciplines that include electric grid solutions, energy efficiency and sustainability, engineering and planning, and municipal financial consulting. For more information, visit Willdan's website at www.willdan.com.

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