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## TENTH DISTRICT ENERGY ACTIVITY EXPANDED AT A SLOWER PACE

*Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City Releases Second Quarter Energy Survey*

KANSAS CITY, Mo. –The Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City released the second quarter Energy Survey today. According to Chad Wilkerson, Oklahoma City Branch executive and economist at the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, the survey revealed slower growth in Tenth District energy activity.

“Firms were not quite as optimistic in the second quarter as in the previous two quarters,” said Wilkerson. “They on average expect oil and natural gas prices to stay below levels needed for significant expansion for at least the next year, and perhaps longer.”

The Kansas City Fed's quarterly Tenth District Energy Survey provides information on current and expected activity among energy firms in the Tenth District. The survey monitors oil and gas-related firms located and/or headquartered in the Tenth District, with results based on total firm activity. Survey results reveal changes in several indicators of energy activity, including drilling, capital spending, and employment. Firms also indicate projections for oil and gas prices. All results are diffusion indexes – the percentage of firms indicating increases minus the percentage of firms indicating decreases. A summary of the second quarter survey is attached. Results from past surveys and release dates for future surveys can be found at <https://www.kansascityfed.org/research/indicatorsdata/energy>.

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