

# Texas firm plans to build manure-powered ethanol plant

WICHITA (AP) — A Dallas-based energy company announced Monday that it will build an ethanol plant in southwest Kansas that will be powered with cattle manure.

Panda Energy's \$120 million ethanol facility — the third manure-fueled plant the company has announced this year — would refine about 100 million gallons of ethanol from corn and milo that will be blended with gasoline to make fuel, the company said.

The plant would use a billion pounds of cattle manure each year to power its operations.

"What this is a combination of good business combined with a strong environmentally sensitive project," said Todd Carter, president of Panda Development Group. "There is no project like this that I know that uses renewable fuel to create renewable fuel. We really like that idea."

The Haskell County plant in Kansas is the third fuel ethanol plant that Panda has said this year that it would build. The other two, also to be powered by fuel made from the manure, are in Hereford, Texas and in Yuma, Colo.

The three plants, which together would produce 300 million gallons of ethanol, would all be in areas

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with large feedyards, said Panda spokesman Harold Green.

Carter said it will take between 400,000 and 500,000 head of cattle to supply each of the plants with the billion pounds of manure needed.

Byproducts such as brewers corn produced by the production of ethanol would in turn be sold to the feedyards.

"We are feeding cattle on one end with the byproduct and taking the manure from the other end," Green said.

Construction on the Texas plant is expected to begin later this year, with building on the Kansas and Colorado projects expected early next year, he said.

"It is a perfect hedge to utilize fuel that hasn't been utilized before," Carter said, adding that in some cases the plants will use manure that have become an environmental issue for feedyards.

The facilities are expected to be the most efficient ethanol plants in the nation.

Typically, ethanol plants produce 1.7 times the amount of energy it takes to make ethanol. The manure-powered plants will produce 2.8 times the energy it uses to produce it, Green said.

"Economically, the cost of natural gas has gone up to the point biomass plants like this are much more attractive now," Green said.

It will take about a year to build the plants, which will each employ about 62 workers. The facility in Haskell County will be built between the towns of Sublette and Satanta.

"In rural America, 62 is a lot of jobs usually," Green said. "It is not in major metropolitan areas. But in smaller communities, it will be a significant impact — which is good."

# Agency to ensure enough electricity

TOPEKA (AP) — The state flipped the switch this week on a new initiative intended to ensure that Kansans get enough power in the future and perhaps make electricity a cash crop as well.

Some environmentalists believe the initiative — which created a new state agency — could have wind turbines sprouting like wheat in western Kansas.

But much remains unsettled about the fledgling Kansas Electric Transmission Authority, which had its first meeting Monday in Topeka. One consumer advocate worried the authority has a blank check to embrace risky projects and stick consumers with the bills.

Legislators created the authority earlier this year to develop and upgrade electric transmission lines. Lawmakers worried about how increasing demands will stress the power grid and also saw the potential to export power from Kansas to more densely populated areas.

One authority member, Rep. Carl Dean Holmes, compared the existing power grid to the grid of local and state roads before construction of the interstate highway system during the 1950s.

"We need to build an interstate highway system of electric transmission," said Holmes, R-Liberal, also chairman of the House Utilities Committee.

The law creating the authority took effect in April and permits the seven-member group to propose projects financed by bonds and backed by revenues from consumers' rates.

After proposing a project, the authority must give utilities 90 days to act. The authority's plans must mesh with those of the Southwest Power Pool, which oversees planning and transmission operations regionally.

But consumer advocate David Sprunge said that if a new transmission line makes economic sense, a utility would take on the project without the authority's involvement.

According to state utility regulators, transmission lines typically cost between \$80,000 and \$480,000 per mile, depending on the voltage they carry. The expense can reach as much as \$1.6 million per mile.

"This entire entity is set up to

build transmission lines where no one else will," said Sprunge, the chief attorney for the Citizens' Utility Ratepayers Board, a state agency representing residential and small-business customers. "Economics is that thing everyone suspends when they have a good idea," Sprunge said.

But Charles Benjamin, a Lawrence attorney representing the Sierra Club, said Sprunge is worried most about the short-term cost to

consumers. Consumers will benefit in the long run, he said, when new lines link them to fields of wind turbines.

"That's what we've got to look at over the long run: What kind of energy policy are we going to have in this country and Kansas?" he said.

Benjamin acknowledged that accepting the authority represented a risk for environmentalists as officials pursue economic development.



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### WEEKDAYS SEPTEMBER 20 - SEPTEMBER 26

	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	Good Morning Kansas	Good Morning America				Martha		The View		Millionaire	News	
KSNK/NBC (8) (8)	News Cont'd	Today				Live With Regis and Kelly		Varied Programs				
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	News Cont'd	News		The Early Show		The 700 Club		The Price Is Right		The Young and the Restless		
K15CG (2)	BBC World	Yoga	Body Electric	Caillou	Jakers!-Winks	Barney-Friends	Teletubbies	Mister Rogers	Dragon Tales	Beren Bears	Sesame Street	
ESPN (28)	Sports-Center	Varied	Sports-Center	Varied	Sports-Center	Varied	Sports-Center	Varied	Sports-Center	Varied Programs		
USA (37)	Coach	Coach	Movie	Varied Programs		Nash Bridges		Varied	The District	Varied Programs		
TBS (38)	Saved by Bell	Saved by Bell	Movie	Dawson's Creek		Dawson's Creek		Becker	Becker			
WGN (39)	Changing-Voice	Believer	Happy Days	Happy Days	Hillbillies	Hillbillies	Rockford Files	Matlock	Magnum, P.I.			
TNT (40)	The Pretender	Angel		Charmed		ER		ER	Judging Amy			
DSC (42)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Varied Programs		Surprise by Design		Go Ahead, Make My Dinner			
A&E (47)	Classroom	Varied Programs		Investigative Reports		City Confidential						
HIST (48)	Varied Programs											
NICK (55)	Rock Star	Jimmy Neutron	Oddparents	SpongeBob	Dora the Explorer	Blue's Clues	Backyardigans	Dora the Explorer	Go Diego	LazyTown	Miss Spider	Blue's Clues
DISN (56)	Breakfast Bear	Higglytown	JoJo's Circus	Doodlebops	Charlie & Lola	The Wiggles	Koala Brothers	Rolie Polie	Doodlebops	Charlie & Lola	JoJo's Circus	
FAM (58)	Battle B-Daman	Spider-Man	Power Rangers	Power Rangers	Varied	Living the Life	The 700 Club	Varied	Gilmore Girls	Varied	Full House	Full House
HALL (60)	New Morning	Paid Program	The Waltons	Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman	Little House on the Prairie		Little House on the Prairie		The Waltons			

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KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	All My Children	One Life to Live		General Hospital		Judge-Brown	Judge-Brown	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	News	ABC Wild News	
KSNK/NBC (8) (8)	News	Inside Edition	Days of our Lives		Passions		The Insider	Jeopardy!	The Ellen DeGeneres Show		News	NBC News
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	News	Bold, Beautiful	As the World Turns		Guiding Light		Dr. Phil	Oprah Winfrey	News		CBS News	
K15CG (2)	Reading Rainbow	Lions	Varied Programs		Clifford-Red	Maya & Miguel	Arthur	Post-cards	Cyber-chase	Zoom	Business	
ESPN (28)	Varied Programs											
USA (37)	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs		Movie		Varied Programs		Movie				
TBS (38)	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Steve Harvey	Steve Harvey	Drew Carey	Drew Carey	Yes, Dear	Yes, Dear	Home Improve.	Home Improve.	Seinfeld	Seinfeld
WGN (39)	News	Magnum, P.I.		Da Vinci's Inquest		Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Moesha	Moesha	Home Improve.	Home Improve.	
TNT (40)	Judging Amy	Varied Programs										
DSC (42)	The New Detectives	The New Detectives		The FBI Files		Varied Programs		It Takes a Thief		Monster Garage		
A&E (47)	American Justice	Varied Programs										
HIST (48)	Modern Marvels											
NICK (55)	Dora the Explorer	Go Diego	Rugrats	Rock Star	Teenage Robot	Jimmy Neutron	Oddparents	Oddparents	SpongeBob	Drake & Josh	Grown Up	Danny Phantom
DISN (56)	Higglytown	JoJo's Circus	House of Mouse	Lilo & Stitch	Varied Programs		Kim Possible	Proud Family	Sister, Sister	Phil of Future		
FAM (58)	Family Matters	Family Matters	Step by Step	Step by Step	Boy Mts. World	Boy Mts. World	Full House	Full House	Gilmore Girls	7th Heaven		
HALL (60)	Matlock	Matlock	Little House on the Prairie		Little House on the Prairie		M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H

### THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 22

	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	(5:59) News	Ent. Tonight	Dancing With the Stars Dance-Off		Dancing-Stars	Primetime (N) (CC)	ER Canon City (Season Premiere)		News (CC)	Nightline (CC)	Jimmy Kimmel Live (CC)	
KSNK/NBC (8) (8)	News	Wheel of Fortune	Joey Joey steals a director's dog. (CC)		The Apprentice	Let's Get Physical	Criminal Minds Extreme Aggressor		News (CC)	Late Show With David Letterman	Late Night	
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	News (CC)	Friends (CC)	Survivor: Guatemala -- Maya		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (N)	This Old House (CC)	Soundstage (N) (CC)		BBC World	Keeping Up	Charlie Rose (N) (CC)	
K15CG (2)	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Kansas' Biggest Rodeo Competitors.		This Old House (CC)		SportsCenter (Live) (CC)		Baseball Tonight		NFL Live (N) (CC)		
ESPN (28)	Sports-Center	College Football: Air Force at Utah. (Live) (CC)										
USA (37)	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Movie: Major Payne ** (1995, Comedy) A hard-nosed ex-Marine takes command of pint-sized cadets.		Movie: Sgt. Bilko ** (1996, Comedy) Steve Martin. (CC)						
TBS (38)	Raymond	Raymond	Friends (CC)	Friends (CC)	Friends (CC)	Friends (CC)	Movie: Deep Blue Sea ** 1/2 (1999, Suspense) (PA) Thomas Jane. (CC) (DVS)		Movie: Turbulence ** 1/2 (1997) (CC)			
WGN (39)	America's Funniest Home Videos (CC)	Movie: The Mighty Quinn ** (1989, Drama) Denzel Washington. (CC)		WGN News at Nine (CC)		Sex and the City	Becker (CC)	Da Vinci's Inquest (CC)				
TNT (40)	Law & Order: Atomeation	Movie: Overboard ** 1/2 (1987) An amnesiac millionaire is duped by a cunning carpenter.		Movie: Overboard ** 1/2 (1987) An amnesiac millionaire is duped by a cunning carpenter.								
DSC (42)	American Chopper Miller Electric 2 (CC)	The FBI Files Operation Seaload		The FBI Files Crackdown (N) (CC)		The FBI Files Operation Seaload		The FBI Files Crackdown (CC)				
A&E (47)	Amer. Justice	Cold Case Files A scheme to bribe a music magazine leads to murder. (CC)		The First 48 A Deadly Betrayal		Crossing Jordan Necessary Risks		Cold Case Files (CC)				
HIST (48)	Modern Marvels Race Cars (CC)	D-Day: The Lost Evidence Pilots create an unprecedented record. (CC)		Modern Marvels Stealth aircraft. (CC)		Modern Marvels F-18 Hornet (N) (CC)		D-Day: The Lost Evidence (CC)				
NICK (55)	Oddparents	Jimmy Neutron	SpongeBob	Rap Off	Full House	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Cosby Show	Roseanne	Roseanne	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince
DISN (56)	That's-Raven	That's-Raven	Movie: Atlantis: The Lost Empire ** (2001, Fantasy) Voices of Michael J. Fox.		Buzz on Maggie	Sister, Sister	That's-Raven	That's-Raven	Phil of Future	Kim Possible		
FAM (58)	Smallville Red (CC)	Movie: The Sandlot ** 1/2 (1993, Comedy-Drama) Tom Guiry, Mike Vitar.		Whose Line? Whose Line?		The 700 Club (CC)		Home Videos	Home Videos			
HALL (60)	Walker, Texas Ranger (Part 1 of 2)	Walker, Texas Ranger (Part 2 of 2)	Movie: Cupid & Cate ** (2000, Romance) Mary-Louise Parker. (CC)		M*A*S*H (CC)		M*A*S*H Hey, Doc	M*A*S*H The Bus				

### FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 23

	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	(5:59) News	Ent. Tonight	Supernanny Minyon Family (N) (CC)		Supernanny Webb Family (N) (CC)		20/20 (CC)		News (CC)	Nightline (CC)	Jimmy Kimmel Live Erika Christensen.	
KSNK/NBC (8) (8)	News	Wheel of Fortune	Dateline NBC (Season Premiere)		Three Wishes Sonora, California		Inconceivable Pilot (Series Premiere)		News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (CC)	Late Night	
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	News (CC)	Friends (CC)	Ghost Whisperer Pilot (N) (CC)		Threshold Blood of the Children (CC)		NUMB3RS Judgment Call (CC)		News (CC)	Late Show With David Letterman	Late Late	
K15CG (2)	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Wash. Week	Kansas Week	Market-Market	Live From Lincoln Center Lang performs. (N)		Score-board		Red Green	Tavis Smiley		
ESPN (28)	MLB Baseball: Teams to Be Announced. (Live) (CC)											
USA (37)	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Law & Order: SVU		Monk Mr. Monk Goes to the Office		Law & Order: SVU		Monk Mr. Monk Goes to the Office		
TBS (38)	Raymond	MLB Baseball: Florida Marlins at Atlanta Braves. Turner Field.		Movie: The 6th Day ** 1/2 (2000) A helicopter pilot is cloned without his consent. Arnold Schwarzenegger.								
WGN (39)	America's Funniest Home Videos (CC)	Movie: Landspeed ** 1/2 (2002) Rival racers vie for a new speed record and cash prize.		WGN News at Nine (CC)		Sex and the City (CC)	Becker (CC)	Da Vinci's Inquest (CC)				
TNT (40)	Law & Order: Punk (CC) (DVS)	Movie: The Wedding Singer *** (1998, Comedy) Adam Sandler. (CC) (DVS)		Movie: The Mask *** (1994, Fantasy) Jim Carrey, Cameron Diaz. (CC)		Movie: The Cable Guy ** 1/2 (1996)						
DSC (42)	American Chopper Breaking Glass (CC)	MythBusters Breaking Glass (CC)		Dirty Jobs Worm Dung Farmer (CC)		Going Tribal (CC)		MythBusters Breaking Glass (CC)		Dirty Jobs Worm Dung Farmer (CC)		
A&E (47)	American Justice A Model Murder (CC)	Star Wars: Empire of Dreams The trilogy becomes a phenomenon. (CC)		Biography Marlon Brando (N) (CC)		American Justice Stacey's Story (CC)		Star Wars: Empire of Dreams (CC)				
HIST (48)	Oil (CC)	UFO Files UFO Hot Spots (CC)		Decoding the Past (CC)		Mail Call (N) (CC)		Man Moment Machine (CC)		UFO Files UFO Hot Spots (CC)		
NICK (55)	SpongeBob	Cats-crat	Avatar-Last Air	Danny Phantom	Danny Phantom The Ultimate Enemy	Full House	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Cosby Show	Roseanne	Roseanne	
DISN (56)	Zack & Cody	That's-Raven	Movie: The Country Bears ** (2002, Comedy) Christopher Walken. (CC)		Zack & Cody	Sister, Sister	That's-Raven	That's-Raven	Phil of Future	Kim Possible		
FAM (58)	Smallville Nocturne (CC)	Movie: The Sandlot 2 (2005) Baseball-playing friends must outwit a fearsome dog.		Whose Line? Whose Line?		The 700 Club (CC)		Operation Smile		Free surgery.		
HALL (60)	Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)	Walker, Texas Ranger Bounty (CC)	Movie: Sarah, Plain and Tall *** (1991, Drama) Glenn Close. (CC)		M*A*S*H (CC)		M*A*S*H The Kids	M*A*S*H (CC)	M*A*S*H (CC)	M*A*S*H (CC)		