

2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Advisory Council on Trade Enforcement and Compliance

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1. Department or Agency		2. Fiscal Year	
Department of Commerce		2018	
3. Committee or Subcommittee		3b. GSA Committee No.	
Advisory Council on Trade Enforcement and Compliance		2580	
4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?	5. Current Charter	6. Expected Renewal Date	7. Expected Term Date
No	02/15/2017	02/15/2019	
8a. Was Terminated During FiscalYear?	8b. Specific Termination Authority	8c. Actual Term Date	
No			
9. Agency Recommendation for Next FiscalYear	10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?	10b. Legislation Pending?	
Continue	No	Not Applicable	
11. Establishment Authority	Agency Authority		
12. Specific Establishment Authority	13. Effective Date	14. Committee Type	14c. Presidential?
Secretarial Decision Memorandum	02/15/2017	Continuing	No
15. Description of Committee	Other Committee		
16a. Total Number of Reports	No Reports for this FiscalYear		
17a. Open Meetings and Dates	17b. Closed	17c. Partially Closed	Other Activities
No Meetings	0	0	0

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.08
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$0.00	\$0.08

19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)

0.00 107,000.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The ACTEC shall advise the Secretary on laws and government policies that deal with trade enforcement; identify and recommend programs, policies, and actions to help the United States ensure that U.S. trading partners comply with their trade agreement commitments; and recommend ways that U.S. government enforcement and compliance activities can better support a strong trade and manufacturing agenda and advance the commercial competitiveness of U.S. firms and workers.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The ACTEC shall consist of no more than 20 members appointed by the Secretary. Members shall represent U.S. entities involved in and significantly affected by imports and/or those that heavily export to, or operate in, countries with which the United States has trade agreements. All members must be U.S. Nationals. Members shall be selected based on their ability to carry out the objectives of the ACTEC, in accordance with applicable Department of Commerce guidelines, in a manner that ensures the ACTEC is balanced in terms of points of view, demographics, industry sector, geography of both production infrastructure and product inputs, and company size. Members shall also represent a broad range of products and services and shall be drawn from large, medium, and small enterprises, private sector organization, and other entities, such as, non-governmental organizations, associations, and economic development organizations.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

Estimated Number of Meetings per Year - 4 Estimated Total Meetings - 8

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

E&C currently maintains designated stakeholder access portals for its services concerning discrete trade remedy enforcement and trade agreement compliance problems, but ITA lacks a dedicated forum for stakeholders to engage the Department on matters concerning the formulation and execution of trade enforcement and compliance policies writ large. Existing advisory committee work is largely industry-sector focused or, in the case of the ITAC system, designed for industry to provide advice mainly on trade agreements with respect to negotiating goals and views. This has proven inadequate for ITA's purposes with respect to trade enforcement and compliance, as these issues often involve the intersection of domestic trade laws and international trade agreements. Further, these issues frequently have complex, cross-cutting, effects across multiple industries and multiple trade areas. The establishment of the Advisory Council on Trade

Enforcement and Compliance (ACTEC) as a federal advisory committee is necessary in order to advise the Secretary of Commerce on how the U.S. government, and, specifically, the Commerce Department, can effectively enforce our domestic trade laws, and monitor trading partners' compliance with trade agreements to ensure that U.S. industry and workers receive the full benefit of the nation's international trade agreements.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

Not Applicable

21. Remarks

Due to the hiring freeze and vacancies in key leadership positions in the International Trade Administration, the member selection process has been placed on hold until those positions have been filled.

Designated Federal Officer

Steven Presing Senior Policy Advisor

Narrative Description

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What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- Improvements to health or safety
- Trust in government
- Major policy changes
- Advance in scientific research
- Effective grant making
- Improved service delivery
- Increased customer satisfaction

Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements

Other

Outcome Comments

No Meetings were held in FY 18

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None

Unable to Determine

Under \$100,000

\$100,000 - \$500,000

\$500,001 - \$1,000,000

\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000

\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000

Over \$10,000,000

Cost Savings Other

Cost Savings Comments

Not Applicable

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

0

Number of Recommendations Comments

No Meetings were held in FY 18

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

Not Applicable

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Not Applicable

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes No Not Applicable

Agency Feedback Comments

Not Applicable

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

- Reorganized Priorities
- Reallocated resources
- Issued new regulation
- Proposed legislation
- Approved grants or other payments
- Other

Action Comments

Not Applicable

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

Not Applicable

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

- Contact DFO
- Online Agency Web Site
- Online Committee Web Site
- Online GSA FACA Web Site
- Publications
- Other

Access Comments

Not Applicable