

2025 Current Fiscal Year Report: National Coal Council

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1. Department or Agency		2. Fiscal Year	
Department of Energy		2025	
3. Committee or Subcommittee		3b. GSA Committee No.	
National Coal Council		449	
4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?	5. Current Charter	6. Expected Renewal Date	7. Expected Term Date
No	06/16/2025	06/16/2027	
8a. Was Terminated During FiscalYear?	8b. Specific Termination Authority	8c. Actual Term Date	
No	AGEN		
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?
AGEN	11/21/1984	Continuing	No
15. Description of Committee National Policy Issue Advisory Board			
16a. Total Number of Reports	No Reports for this FiscalYear		
17a. Open	17b. Closed	17c. Partially Closed	Other Activities
0	0	0	0
17d. Total			
0			
Meetings and Dates			
No Meetings			
		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	\$0.00
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. Administrative Costs (FRNs, contractor support, In-person/hybrid/virtual meetings)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Other (all other funds not captured by any other cost category)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18e. Total Costs	\$0.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The NCC was chartered to provide the Secretary of Energy with advice and recommendations on general policy matters relating to coal. In its previous iteration, the National Coal Council, prepared ~40 studies on a variety of important aspects of the coal industry. These studies were widely circulated and noted by the press, legislators, and academicians. They were used extensively by the Department in making energy policy and enabled the Government to anticipate energy problems and needs.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

Council members will be chosen to assure well-balanced representation from all sections of the country and all segments of the coal industry, including large and small companies. The NCC previously had members who represent interests outside the coal industry, including environmental, labor, research, academia, tribal governments, and state regulatory commissions.

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

The NCC meets, on average, twice a year. Study groups meet as necessary. The time, place, and agenda of each Council and study group meeting will be determined by its respective chairman (members, including the chairman, are still to be named), with the concurrence of the Department. The experience that resides in the NCC provides a perspective on the coal industry which is otherwise unavailable.

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

There is no other source that possesses the collective breadth, depth, and diversity of knowledge of coal and related industries that the NCC can provide.

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

N/A

21. Remarks

DOE determined to terminate this committee as it was not being used in February 2024. It was re-chartered on June 16, 2025.

Designated Federal Officer

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Secretary of the Office of Fossil Energy and
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Narrative Description

The National Coal Council provides advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Energy on general policy matters relating to coal and the coal industry. The Committee activities included: (1) Advising on federal policy that affects, directly or indirectly, the production and use of coal; (2) Advising on plans, priorities and strategies to address more effectively the technological, regulatory and social impact of issues relating to coal production and use; (3) Advising on the appropriate balance between various elements of Federal coal-related programs; (4) Advising on scientific and engineering aspects of coal technologies, including coal and coal waste conversion, utilization, environmental control, and remediation concepts; and (5) Advising on economic and environmental impacts, and potential mitigation measures, in communities impacted by coal mines, coal-fired electricity generation, and coal-fired industrial plants. The Committee was terminated in February 2024. The Committee had no meetings and no members in FY 2024. It was re-chartered on June 16, 2025.

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

Checked if
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other ☐

Outcome Comments

NA

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

By conducting studies and analyses, and submitting reports with findings and recommendations, all of which is done at the Secretary's request and at a low cost to DOE, the NCC saved DOE considerable funds.

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

0

Number of Recommendations Comments

Over the life of the NCC (beginning in 1986) there were ~40 reports, studies and white papers. These documents have made ~352 recommendations to the Secretary of Energy. No recommendations were made or implemented under the current NCC.

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

No recommendations have been made or implemented under the current NCC.

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

No recommendations have been made or implemented under the current NCC.

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

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

The public can obtain information on Agency feedback on the NCC website.

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

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

NA

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

No

Grant Review Comments

NA

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

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Online GSA FACA Web Site



Publications



Other



Access Comments

<https://fossil.energy.gov/nacc/> or contact the Deputy Designated Federal Officer