### 2014 Current Fiscal Year Report: Unconventional Resources Technology **Advisory Committee**

Report Run Date: 04/18/2024 05:11:32 PM

2. Fiscal Year 1. Department or Agency

Department of Energy 2014

3b. GSA 3. Committee or Subcommittee

Committee No.

Unconventional Resources Technology

29136 **Advisory Committee** 

4. Is this New During 5. Current 6. Expected 7. Expected Fiscal Year? Charter Renewal Date **Term Date** No 07/27/2012 07/27/2014 09/30/2014

8b. Specific 8a. Was Terminated During Termination 8c. Actual FiscalYear? **Term Date** Authority

Bipartisan Budget Yes 12/26/2013 Act of 2013

9. Agency 10b.

10a. Legislation **Recommendation for Next** Legislation Reg to Terminate? **FiscalYear** Pending?

Terminate Yes Enacted

**11. Establishment Authority** Statutory (Congress Created)

13. 14. 12. Specific 14c. **Effective Committee** 

**Establishment Authority** Presidential?

Type Date

Section 999D(b) of the 05/10/2006 Continuing No Energy Policy Act of 2005

**15. Description of Committee** Scientific Technical Program

**Advisory Board** 

16a. Total Number of Reports 1

16b. Report Report Title

Date

Comments and Recommendations: 12/31/2013 2014 Annual Plan

Number of Committee Reports Listed: 1

2 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 2

#### **Meetings and Dates**

Purpose	Start	End
To present a report from the Policy		
Subcommittee, Tech Transfer		
Subcommittee, Environment Subcommittee,		
and the R&D Subcommittee. To allow full	12/04/2013	- 12/04/2013
committee discussion and establish an		
editing subcommittee for the Comments and		
Recommendations to the 2014 Annual Plan		
To discuss and approve the final committee		
report of comments and recommendations to	12/18/2013	- 08/18/2014
the 2014 Annual Plan		

#### **Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 2**

	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	\$83,200.00	\$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. Other(rents, user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$5,255.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$88,455.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.50	0.00

# 20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

(A) To provide advice to the Secretary on the development and implementation of activities under Subtitle J of the Energy Policy Act, Public

Law No. 109-58, related to unconventional natural gas and other petroleum resources; and (B) provide to the Secretary written comments regarding the draft annual plan that is required by Section 999B(e) of the Energy Policy Act. The duties of the Committee are solely advisory in nature.

## 20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

Membership requirements are stated in Section 999D(b)(2): a majority of members who are employees or representatives of independent producers of natural gas and other petroleum, including small producers; individuals with extensive research experience or operational knowledge of unconventional natural gas and other petroleum resource exploration and production; individuals broadly representative of the affected interests in unconventional natural gas and other petroleum resource exploration and production, including interests in environmental protection and safe operations; individuals with expertise in the various geographic areas of potential supply of unconventional onshore natural gas and other petroleum resources in the United States.

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

The Committee held 2 meetings to develop recommendations for its 2014 Annual Plan.

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

According to the Energy Policy Act of 2005 Section 999B, the Secretary of Energy is directed to establish this Committee to administer research, development, demonstration and commercial activities related to ultra-deepwater and unconventional onshore natural gas and other petroleum resources.

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

Not applicable

#### 21. Remarks

The Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013 repealed Subtitle J of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, which established this committee. Thus, it was terminated.

### **Designated Federal Officer**

Elena S. Melchert Divison Director, Oil and Natural Gas Safety and Environmental Research

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Brown, Nancy	08/19/2008	09/30/2014	Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Camp, Wayne	09/02/2010	09/30/2014	Anadarko Petroleum Corporation	Representative Member
Cavens, Jessica	05/23/2007	09/30/2014	EnCana Oil and Gas (USA)	Representative Member
Daugherty, William	05/23/2007	09/30/2014	Blackridge Resources	Representative Member
Dwyer, James	05/23/2007	09/30/2014	Baker Hughes	Representative Member
Hall, J.	05/23/2007	09/30/2014	Drilling & Production Co.	Representative Member
Hardage, Bob	08/19/2008	09/30/2014	University of Texas	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Harju, John	09/02/2010	09/30/2014	Energy & Environmental Research Center, University of North Dakota	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Kleinberg, Robert	09/02/2010	09/30/2014	Technical Lead, Unconventional Resources, Schlumberger-Doll Research	Representative Member

Lewis, Fletcher	09/02/2010	09/30/2014	President, Rainmaker Oil & Gas	Representative Member
Martin, John	09/02/2010	09/30/2014	JPMartin Energy Strategy LLC	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Mason, Gregory	09/02/2010	09/30/2014	Exploration & Production Manager, The Energy Cooperative	Representative Member
Mohaghegh, Shahab	08/19/2008	09/30/2014	West Virginia University	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Mordick, Briana	07/20/2012	09/30/2014	Oil & Gas Fellow	Representative Member
Nilson, Gary	09/02/2010	09/30/2014	Trans-Atlantic Petroleum, Ltd.	Representative Member
Oglesby, Kenneth	09/02/2010	09/30/2014	Acorn Resources, Inc	Representative Member
Sparks, Don	05/23/2007	09/30/2014	Chairman of the BoardDiscovery Operating, Inc.	Representative Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 17** 

### **Narrative Description**

The Committee is required by Subtitle J Section 999D of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. The Committee supports Goal 1.1 of the agency's strategic plan by advising the Secretary on the development and implementation of programs under the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

## 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 NA		
What are the cost savings associated with	this committee?	
Checked if Applies		
None	<b>~</b>	
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 NA		
What is the approximate <u>Number</u> of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?  187		
Number of Recommendations Comments		
No contract to a contract of the boundary of the contract of t	. 0000, 00, 0000, 40, 0040, 44, 0044, 05,	

Number of recommendation by year:2007: 42; 2008: 22; 2009: 13; 2010: 14; 2011: 25; 2012: 16; 2013: 31, 2014: 24

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

100%

#### % of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

Over 80% were already or have been incorporated into the 2007,2008, 2009, 2010, 2011,2012, and 2013 Annual Plans, the remainder will be addressed at a later date. No Annual Plan will be submitted for 2014, due to the repeal of Subtitle J of EPACT 2005.

However, recommendations will be implemented if applicable in the future. 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 All recommendations were accepted for implementation either now or in the near future. 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 feedback the Department provides is not by traditional means. Each year the Committee provides comments and recommendations on a draft version of the annual plan. The feedback the Committee receives will be in the form of the final version of that annual plan whereas their comments and recommenations will have been addressed and will be evident. 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

#### **Action Comments**

Other

Approved grants or other payments

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

#### **Grant Review Comments**

These questions are not applicable because the statute that established this committee specifically prohibits the members from making recommendations regarding funding of

specific projects.

### 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**

Committee documents are posted on agency website, field website, committee website, and FOIA website. Also, a committee email box is monitored for general inquiries from the public.