

# 2006 Current Fiscal Year Report: Electricity Advisory Board

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<b>1. Department or Agency</b>	<b>2. Fiscal Year</b>
Department of Energy	2006
<b>3. Committee or Subcommittee</b>	<b>3b. GSA Committee No.</b>
Electricity Advisory Board	11977

<b>4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?</b>	<b>5. Current Charter</b>	<b>6. Expected Renewal Date</b>	<b>7. Expected Term Date</b>
No	02/10/2004	02/10/2006	02/10/2006

<b>8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?</b>	<b>8b. Specific Termination Authority</b>	<b>8c. Actual Term Date</b>
Yes	AGENCY Authority	02/10/2006

<b>9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year</b>	<b>10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?</b>	<b>10b. Legislation Pending?</b>
Terminate	No	

<b>11. Establishment Authority</b>	Agency Authority		
<b>12. Specific Establishment Authority</b>	<b>13. Effective Date</b>	<b>14. Committee Type</b>	<b>14c. Presidential?</b>
AGENCY Authority	11/09/2001	Continuing	No

**15. Description of Committee** National Policy Issue Advisory Board

**16a. Total Number of Reports** No Reports for this Fiscal Year

**17a. Open** 0 **17b. Closed** 0 **17c. Partially Closed** 0 **Other Activities** 0 **17d. Total** 0

**Meetings and Dates**

No Meetings

	<b>Current FY</b>	<b>Next FY</b>
<b>18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00

<b>18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18d. Total</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.00	0.00

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

The Electricity Advisory Board or EAB was established by then Secretary Spencer Abraham in November 2001 to provide the Secretary and the Department of Energy with essential independent advice and recommendations on electricity policy issues. Specifically, the EAB will address issues concerning the Department's electricity programs; current and future capacity of the electricity system; issues related to production, reliability and utility restructuring; and coordination between the Department of Energy and state and regional officials and the private sector on matters affecting electricity supply and reliability. The EAB was chartered and operated under the auspices of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and was administered by the Office of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board. The Board was comprised

of approximately forty members drawn from all segments of the electricity industry, as well as representatives from the environmental and business sectors. Members served on a pro bono basis and were selected by the Secretary of Energy to two-year terms. The Board provided the Secretary of Energy with a diverse and extensive reservoir of independent technical knowledge, policy understanding, management experience, and government experience. Members have been called on by the Secretary for their individual advice and on occasion testified before Congress on Board or subcommittee reports. The Board's charter permitted the formation of subcommittees to undertake specific studies and to provide information and recommendations to the EAB for its consideration. Members of the Board have also served as members of these subcommittees, augmented by outside members whose experience or background are determined to be relevant to the specific issues under consideration.

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

The Board was comprised of approximately forty members drawn from all segments of the electricity industry, as well as representatives from the environmental, investing, state regulatory, and academic fields.

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

The Board met approximately one to two times per year and held additional meetings as necessary to provide timely advice to the Secretary of Energy. Due to the resignation of the Board Chairman and scheduling issues associated with the preparation of the draft final report of the Standards of Conduct & Corporate Practices Subcommittee, no

full Board meetings were held in 2006.

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

This Board was the only independent external advisory body charged with providing advice and recommendations on specific national electricity issues.

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

N/A

**21. Remarks**

**Designated Federal Officer**

Richard Burrow Acting Executive Director, Office of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board

<b>Committee Members</b>	<b>Start</b>	<b>End</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Member Designation</b>
Cavanagh, Ralph	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Natural Resources Defense Council	Representative Member
Chappelle, Laura	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Michigan Public Service Commission	Representative Member
Connelly, James	06/25/2002	06/10/2006	Mass. Dept. of Telecomm & Energy	Representative Member
Crisson, Mark	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Tacoma Public Utilities	Representative Member
Davis, Erroll	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Alliant Energy Corporation	Representative Member
Dobson, James	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Deutsche Bank	Representative Member
Earley, Anthony	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	DTE Energy	Representative Member
English, Glenn	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	National Rural Electric Cooperative Association	Representative Member
Fleishman, Steven	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Merrill Lynch	Representative Member
Gent, Michehl	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	North American Electric Reliability Council	Representative Member

Green, Richard	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Aquila, Inc.	Representative Member
Holzschuh, Jeffrey	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Morgan Stanley	Representative Member
Johns, Marie	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Verizon Washington D.C.	Representative Member
Kimmelman, Douglas	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Goldman, Sachs & Co.	Representative Member
MacLeod, Mark	04/23/2003	06/10/2006	Environmental Defense	Representative Member
McCullough, Glenn	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Tennessee Valley Authority	Representative Member
Moler, Elizabeth	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Exelon Corporation	Representative Member
Montoya, Benjamin	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	SmartSystems Technologies, Inc.	Representative Member
Morris, Michael	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	American Electric Power Co., Inc.	Representative Member
Mueller, Keith	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Accenture	Representative Member
Museler, William	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	New York Independent System Operator	Representative Member
Naeve, Clifford	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, LLP	Representative Member
Neale, Gary	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	NiSource Inc.	Representative Member
Nolan, Joseph	08/09/2004	08/09/2006	NSTAR	Representative Member
Ratcliffe, David	06/10/2004	06/10/2006	Southern Company	Representative Member
Rivkin, David	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Baker & Hostetler LLP	Representative Member
Shattuck, Mayo	08/15/2003	06/10/2006	Constellation Energy Group, Inc.	Representative Member
Silverman, Richard	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Salt River Project	Representative Member
Stuntz, Linda	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Stuntz, Davis & Staffier, P.C.	Representative Member
Thomas, Glen	04/23/2002	06/10/2006	Pennsylvania Public Utility Commision	Representative Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 30**

### **Narrative Description**

The Electricity Advisory Board or EAB supported the Department of Energy's mission by providing the Secretary of Energy with essential independent advice and recommendations on electricity

policy issues. Specifically, the EAB addressed issues concerning the Department's electricity programs; current and future capacity of the electricity system; issues related to production, reliability and utility restructuring; and coordination between the Department of Energy and state and regional officials and the private sector on matters affecting electricity supply and reliability.

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

	Checked if Applies
Improvements to health or safety	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Outcome Comments**

Significant program outcomes associated with the committee were contingent upon the scope of assigned activities and vary from year to year based upon the needs of the Department.

**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**

Recommendations concerning the benefits of competitive wholesale electricity markets and solutions to the removal of barriers to the transition to fully competitive markets and ways to improve the physical and financial state of the nation's transmission grid infrastructure have significant but unquantifiable benefits.

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

0

### **Number of Recommendations Comments**

NA

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

40%

### **% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

Recommendations made by the Electricity Advisory Board address broad issues under the authority of the Department of Energy, FERC, state regulatory agencies and the private sector.

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

10%

### **% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

Recommendations made by the Electricity Advisory Board addressed broad issues under the authority of the Department of Energy, FERC, state regulatory agencies and the private sector.

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

Yes  No  Not Applicable

### **Agency Feedback Comments**

Decisions were provided to the Committee at subsequent meetings and were publicly announced policy decisions.

**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**

Actions undertaken as a result of Committee recommendations were included in provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (approved) and those of the Department of Energy's Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.

**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
- Online Agency Web Site
- Online Committee Web Site
- Online GSA FACA Web Site
- Publications
- Other

**Access Comments**

Committee reports and related information are published and available from the committees web site, located at <http://www.eab.energy.gov>