

# 1999 Current Fiscal Year Report: Negotiated Rulemaking Advisory Committee on Pipeline Personnel Qualifications

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<b>1. Department or Agency</b>	<b>2. Fiscal Year</b>
Department of Transportation	1999
<b>3. Committee or Subcommittee</b>	<b>3b. GSA Committee No.</b>

Negotiated Rulemaking Advisory Committee on Pipeline Personnel Qualifications	2201
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<b>4. Is this New Fiscal Year?</b>	<b>5. Current Charter</b>	<b>6. Expected Renewal Date</b>	<b>7. Expected Term Date</b>
No	02/04/1997		02/04/1999

<b>8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?</b>	<b>8b. Specific Termination Authority</b>	<b>8c. Actual Term Date</b>
Yes	AGEN	02/04/1999

<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>	Presidential
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<b>12. Specific Establishment Authority</b>	<b>13. Effective Date</b>	<b>14. Committee Type</b>	<b>14c. Presidential?</b>
AGEN	10/24/1996	Ad hoc	No

<b>15. Description of Committee</b>	Regulatory Negotiations Committee
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<b>16a. Total Number of Reports</b>	No Reports for this Fiscal Year
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<b>17a. Open</b>	0	<b>17b. Closed</b>	0	<b>17c. Partially Closed</b>	0	<b>Other Activities</b>	0	<b>17d. Total</b>	0
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<b>Meetings and Dates</b>
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>	\$2,000.00	\$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>	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
<b>18d. Total</b>	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.25	0.00

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

The RSPA Negotiated Rulemaking Committee is developing a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) on the qualification of personnel performing certain safety-related functions on pipelines subject to the pipeline safety regulations. The Committee is developing the proposal through a negotiation process. this process brings all affected interests together to jointly develop a rule that will address the concerns of all affected parties. Together, this Committee has developed all elements of the NPRM. OPS has combined all Committee input and provided them with a draft

NPRM for their review. The Committee hopes to conclude the negotiating process, and prepare the NPRM for DOT review and publication in the Federal Register. After receiving any public comment, the Committee will meet to prepare the final rule.

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

The Committee is composed of gas pipeline operators, hazardous liquid pipeline operators, state and federal government, labor organizations, emergency response representatives and other interested parties from the public sector. This group provides a wide range of interests from government, industry, and the public. All organizations are allowed one seat at the negotiating table, and a facilitator acts as chair of the Committee, to ensure all perspectives are brought to the table.

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

The Committee meets about every six weeks. This allows for: 1) preparation and distribution of recorded minutes and other Committee documents; 2) adequate time for Committee review of these documents; and 3) interaction with members' constituency and preparation for the next meeting.

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

This Committee was established to represent all interests affected by a rule on qualification of pipeline personnel. Other perspectives and opinions are brought forward during the comment period, scheduled at each Committee meeting. Committee members can bring any material they

choose to the negotiating table. OPS believes this process was best for all sources of information regarding this issue.

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

All meetings have been and will continue to be open to the public.

## 21. Remarks

### Designated Federal Officer

TBD

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Butterbaugh, Bill	10/01/1998	09/30/1999	National Propane Gas Association	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Cave, Bob	10/01/1998	09/30/1999	American Public Gas Association	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Edginton, Larry	10/01/1998	09/30/1999	International Union of Operating Engineers	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Harper, John	10/01/1998	09/30/1999	Interstate Natural Gas Association of America	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Hinkie, Richard	10/01/1998	09/30/1999	Midwest Gas Association	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Huriaux, Richard	10/01/1998	09/30/1999	Office of Pipeline Safety, RSPA	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Larkin, Joel	10/01/1998	09/30/1999	American Petroleum Institute	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Leonberger, Bob	10/01/1998	09/30/1999	National Association of Pipeline Safety Representatives	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
McDaniel, Mary	10/01/1998	09/30/1999	National Association of Regulatory Commissioners	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Mosinskis, George	10/01/1998	09/30/1999	American Gas Association	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Murdock, Phillip	10/01/1998	09/30/1999	Association of Texas Intrastate natural Gas Pipelines	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Nikolakakos, Steve	10/01/1998	09/30/1999	National Association of Corrosion Engineers	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Schlosser, Jim	10/01/1998	09/30/1999	International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Weist, Ron	10/01/1998	09/30/1999	National Association of State Fire Marshalls	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 14**

## Narrative Description

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

Checked if  
Applies

Improvements to health or safety



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|---|--------------------------|
| Trust in government                               | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Major policy changes                              | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Advance in scientific research                    | <input 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   | <input type="checkbox"/> |

### Outcome Comments

### What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

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|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| None                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Unable to Determine        | <input 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

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

0

### Number of Recommendations Comments

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

%

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

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

%

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

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

Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Applicable ☒

## **Agency Feedback Comments**

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

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input 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**

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

No

## **Grant Review Comments**

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

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO

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Online Agency Web Site

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Online Committee Web Site

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Online GSA FACA Web Site

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Publications

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Other

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**Access Comments**