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House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY

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October 16, 2015

The Honorable Candice Miller
Committee on House Administration
U.S. House of Representatives
1309 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Miller,

In accordance with the regulations of the Committee on House Administration, I am submitting herewith the monthly report of the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology for September 2015, including the following:

- A summary of specific programs and investigations;
- A statement of expenses and fund balance;
- A statement of authorized Committee travel expenses, and
- A listing of Committee employees showing their titles and gross monthly salaries.

This letter also certifies that copies of this report are available to each Member of the Committee.

Sincerely,



Lamar Smith

Chairman

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY September 2015

FULL COMMITTEE:

Hearings and Mark-ups

September 9, 2015

Convened a Full Committee hearing, *Holding EPA Accountable for Polluting Western Waters*.

September 29, 2015

Convened a Full Committee hearing, *Astrobiology and the Search for Life Beyond Earth in the Next Decade*.

September 30, 2015

Convened a Full Committee hearing, *Dyslexia and the Need to READ: H.R. 3033, the Research Excellence and Advancements for Dyslexia Act*.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY:

Hearings and Mark-ups

September 10, 2015

Convened a joint Subcommittee hearing with the Subcommittee on Oversight, *Examining Vulnerabilities of America's Power Supply*.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT:

Hearings and Mark-ups

September 11, 2015

Convened a Subcommittee hearing, *State Perspectives: How EPA's Power Plan Will Shut Down Power Plants*.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT:

Hearings and Mark-ups

September 10, 2015

Convened a joint Subcommittee hearing with the Subcommittee on Energy, *Examining Vulnerabilities of America's Power Supply*.

September 18, 2015

Convened a joint Subcommittee hearing with the Subcommittee on Research and Technology, *NEON Warning Signs: Examining the Management of the National Ecological Observatory Network*.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY:

Hearings and Mark-ups

September 10, 2015

Convened a Subcommittee Markup of the Committee Print of H.R. _____, the “Surface Transportation Research and Development Act of 2015” and H.R. 2886, the “Future Transportation Research and Innovation for Prosperity Act”.

September 18, 2015

Convened a joint Subcommittee hearing with the Subcommittee on Oversight, *NEON Warning Signs: Examining the Management of the National Ecological Observatory Network*.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SPACE:

Hearings and Mark-ups

No Space Subcommittee hearings or markups were held in September 2015.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

FULL COMMITTEE:

September 9, 2015

H.R. 3458, Connected Transportation Research and Innovation Act of 2015, was introduced by Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson and referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee.

September 10, 2015

Executive Communication No. 2687, letter from Assistant Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule - NASA Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Denied Access to NASA Facilities (2015-N002) (RIN: 2700-AE14) received September 4, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Pub. L. 104-121, { 251.

Executive Communication No. 2688, letter from Assistant Administrator, Office of Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule - Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (RIN: 2700-AE18) received September 4, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Pub. L. 104-121, { 251.

September 15, 2015

Executive Communication No. 2777, letter from Assistant Administrator for Procurement, Office of Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's interim rule - NASA Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: NASA Capitalization Threshold (NFS Case 2015-N004) (RIN: 2700-AE23) received September 2, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Pub. L. 104-121, { 251.

September 16, 2015

H.R. 8, North American Energy Security and Infrastructure Act of 2015, was introduced by Rep. Fred Upton and referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee.

H.R. 23, National Windstorm Impact Reduction Act Reauthorization of 2015, introduced by Rep. Randy Neugebauer, passed the House by voice vote. H.R. 23 was subsequently signed into law by the President on September 30, 2015.

H.R. 3529, to require the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to study the feasibility of constructing an aramid synthetic fiber aqueduct to transport water from Oregon to California, and for other purposes, was introduced by Rep. Mimi Walters and referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee.

September 22, 2015

H.R. 3585, Surface Transportation Research and Development Act of 2015, was introduced by Rep. Barbara Comstock and referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee.

September 25, 2015

H.R. 3614, Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2015, was introduced by Rep. Bill Shuster and referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee. H.R. 3614 subsequently passed the House on September 28, 2015 and was signed into law on September 30, 2015.

September 28, 2015

H.R. 3614, Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2015, introduced by Rep. Bill Shuster and referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee, passed the House by a voice vote. H.R. 3614 was subsequently signed into law on September 30, 2015.

September 30, 2015

H.R. 23, National Windstorm Impact Reduction Act Reauthorization of 2015, introduced by Rep. Randy Neugebauer, referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology and passed the House by a voice vote, was signed into law.

H.R. 3614, Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2015, introduced by Rep. Bill Shuster, referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology and passed the House by a voice vote, was signed into law.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Energy during September 2015.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Environment during September 2015.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight during September 2015.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Research and Technology during September 2015.

September 10, 2015

Committee Print of H.R. _____, Surface Transportation Research and Development Act of 2015, was marked up by the Subcommittee on Research and Technology and favorably reported, as amended, to the full Committee by a voice vote. The bill was subsequently introduced as H.R. 3585, Surface Transportation Research and Development Act of 2015, by Rep. Barbara Comstock and referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee on September 22, 2015.

H.R. 2886, Future Transportation Research and Innovation for Prosperity Act, introduced by Rep. Daniel Lipinski and referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee, was marked up by the Subcommittee on Research and Technology and favorably reported, as amended, to the full Committee by voice vote.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SPACE:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Space during September 2015.

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Committee on Science, Space, and Technology
Monthly Statement by Paid Date
114-1 September

Description	September	YTD Including September	Cumulative Total
Non Statutory Compensation	\$381,038.86	\$3,400,739.97	\$3,400,739.97
Accrued Leave	\$0.00	\$2,465.27	\$2,465.27
11 Personnel Compensation subtotal	\$381,038.86	\$3,403,205.24	\$3,403,205.24
Commercial Transportation	\$478.30	\$7,719.90	\$7,719.90
Lodging	\$1,394.46	\$4,374.76	\$4,374.76
Car Rental	\$154.55	\$3,104.23	\$3,104.23
Private Auto Mileage	\$0.00	\$272.55	\$272.55
Travel Subsistence	\$294.79	\$2,048.18	\$2,048.18
21 Travel subtotal	\$2,322.10	\$17,519.62	\$17,519.62
DC Telecommunication Equipment	\$224.00	\$2,156.00	\$2,156.00
DC Telecommunication Services	\$596.75	\$4,774.00	\$4,774.00
DC Telecommunication Tolls	\$2,045.05	\$15,326.14	\$15,326.14
HIR Graphics	\$0.00	\$21.00	\$21.00
Recording (Transfer)	\$0.00	\$140.00	\$140.00
Postage/Courier/Box Rental	\$12.82	\$128.43	\$128.43
23 Rent, Communications, and Utilities subtotal	\$2,878.62	\$22,545.57	\$22,545.57
Printing & Reproduction	\$275.81	\$1,626.08	\$1,626.08
Photographic (Transfer)	\$0.00	\$38.40	\$38.40
24 Printing and Reproduction subtotal	\$275.81	\$1,664.48	\$1,664.48
Laundry Services	\$0.00	\$118.99	\$118.99
Training	\$0.00	\$385.00	\$385.00
Representational Expenses	\$335.00	\$335.00	\$335.00
Technology Service Contracts	\$3,500.00	\$31,500.00	\$31,500.00
25 Other Services subtotal	\$3,835.00	\$32,338.99	\$32,338.99
Bottled Water	\$356.16	\$2,524.89	\$2,524.89
Food & Beverage	\$0.00	\$1,197.96	\$1,197.96
Office Supplies (Outside)	\$652.71	\$6,567.63	\$6,567.63
Office Supplies (Transfer)	\$2,428.55	\$7,920.93	\$7,920.93
Computer Software <\$500	\$62.00	\$454.00	\$454.00
Publications/Reference Material	\$347.88	\$2,740.04	\$2,740.04
26 Supplies and Materials subtotal	\$3,847.30	\$21,405.45	\$21,405.45
Comp. Hardware Purch. < \$25,000	\$0.00	\$3,207.56	\$3,207.56
Comp. Software Purch. < \$10,000	\$0.00	\$5,504.46	\$5,504.46
Maintenance / Repairs	\$1,471.01	\$12,776.76	\$12,776.76
Warranties	\$0.00	\$99.00	\$99.00
31 Equipment subtotal	\$1,471.01	\$21,587.78	\$21,587.78
Total Expenses	\$395,668.70	\$3,520,267.13	\$3,520,267.13

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Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date
September

Total Authorization	
114-1	\$5,335,582.00
Less Expenses for:	
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January, 2015	\$338,936.24
February, 2015	\$382,738.17
March, 2015	\$394,292.47
April, 2015	\$387,560.66
May, 2015	\$392,726.77
June, 2015	\$422,629.96
July, 2015	\$407,770.06
August, 2015	\$397,944.10
September, 2015	\$395,668.70
Total Expenses to Date:	\$3,520,267.13
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Unexpended Authorization	\$1,815,314.87

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Monthly Statement by Paid Date
114-1 September

Description	September	YTD Including September	Cumulative Total
Franked Mail	\$50.69	\$488.47	\$488.47
FM Franking subtotal	\$50.69	\$488.47	\$488.47
Total Expenses	\$50.69	\$488.47	\$488.47

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Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date
September

Total Authorization	
114-1	\$5,000.00
Less Expenses for:	
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February, 2015	\$45.57
March, 2015	\$45.21
April, 2015	\$50.32
May, 2015	\$54.18
June, 2015	\$59.77
July, 2015	\$78.38
August, 2015	\$104.35
September, 2015	\$50.69
Total Expenses to Date:	\$488.47
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Unexpended Authorization	\$4,511.54

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology
Payroll Information for Monthly Committee Report

Fiscal Year:	2015
Month Paid:	September-15
Type	(Multiple Items)

Name	Title	Gross Monthly Compensation
Bharwani, Rajesh D.	Deputy Staff Director	\$9,181.67
Boyl, Molly	Gen. Counsel & Parliamentarian	\$10,000.00
Brazauskas, Joseph	Senior Counsel	\$7,500.00
Brown, Jennifer Y.	Chief of Staff	\$10,781.25
Carrigan, Alisa	Policy Assistant	\$2,000.00
Colliatie, Drew	Professional Staff	\$6,250.00
Corcoran, Brian	Policy Assistant	\$3,750.00
Criscuolo, Alicia	Intern	\$333.33
Crist, Laura	Press Secretary	\$2,916.67
Danford, Christa	Scheduler	\$2,083.33
Danford, James Brian	Speech Writer	\$5,000.00
Domenech, Emily	Professional Staff	\$7,500.00
Doyle, Timothy	Staff Director	\$11,666.67
Dunn, McKayla	Intern	(\$1,033.33)
Echols, Lamar	Professional Staff	\$6,666.67
English, Jonlyn Bristol	Professional Staff	\$4,333.33
Florida, Joseph	Professional Staff	\$3,750.00
Gallo, Marcy E.	Staff Director	\$9,166.67
Grady, Sarah	Professional Staff	\$6,250.00
Gurley, Emily Hollis	Finance Assistant	\$250.00
Hammond, Tom J.	Staff Director	\$11,666.67
Jordan, Taylor R.	Professional Staff	\$5,416.67
Kopshever, Kristin N	Admin. & Comm. Director	\$5,833.33
Kurz, Zachary S.	Communications Director	\$10,000.00
Li, Allen	Professional Staff	\$7,291.67
Marin, Mark	Staff Director	\$14,166.67
McDonald, Thea	Executive Assistant / Press Assistant	\$4,166.67
Minerio, Michael	Counsel	\$6,666.67
Montgomery, Kimberly	Professional Staff	\$5,666.67
Norman, Russell Evan	Deputy Chief Counsel	\$7,583.33
Obermann, Richard M.	Chief of Staff	\$13,750.00
Pasternak, Douglas S.	Professional Staff	\$9,458.33
Pearson, Daniel R.	Professional Staff	\$11,541.67
Piazza, John L.	Chief Counsel	\$11,833.33
Rice, Christian	Staff Assistant	\$4,166.67
Roos, Amber Harris	Finance Assistant	\$1,000.00
Rosenberg, Adam	Staff Director	\$8,625.00
Ross, John E.	Finance Director	\$1,500.00
Shank, Christopher M.	Policy Director	\$13,750.00
Shannon, Cliff	Staff Director	\$14,166.67
Smith, Ashley	Senior Counsel & Chief Clerk	\$14,034.25
Sokolov, Dahlia L.	Staff Director	\$11,000.00
Stoika, Michelle	Policy Assistant	\$4,166.67
Stout, Jared	Professional Staff	\$6,250.00
Vinyard, Ashlee	Shared Employee	\$6,250.00
Wandel, Bryan Paul	Finance Assistant	\$1,000.00
Weerasinghe, Pamitha D.	Professional Staff	\$4,166.67
Weston, Aaron	Counsel	\$6,666.67
Whitney, Pamela L.	Professional Staff	\$8,958.33

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Name	Title	Gross Monthly Compensation
Whittaker, Larry W.	Shared Employee	\$3,750.00
Wickre, Jennifer	Professional Staff	\$7,500.00
Wright, Sangina Q.	Deputy Clerk	\$5,000.00
Wydler, Christopher	Senior Advisor to the Chairman	\$14,333.33
Yamada, Richard	Professional Staff	\$7,500.00
Rockey, Daniel	Intern	\$1,033.33
Sanders, Jasmine	Intern	\$583.33
Palasits, Sara	Intern	\$483.33
Mixon, John (Del)	Intern	\$1,000.00
Gangitano, Christian	Intern	\$766.67
Grand Total		\$381,038.86

REPORT OF EXPENSES FOR TRAVEL PERFORMED

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology

114th Congress, 1st Session

September 2015**

Traveler	Dates of Travel		Purpose	Itinerary	Reimbursement Claimed		
	From	To			Trans.	Per Diem	Other

**There were no expenses for travel performed by the Committee during the month of September 2015.