

Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY

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April 15, 2016

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 March 2016, 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 March 2016

## **FULL COMMITTEE:**

### **Hearings and Mark-ups**

**March 22, 2016**

Convened a Full Committee hearing, *An Overview of the Budget Proposal for the Department of Energy for Fiscal Year 2017*.

## **SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY:**

### **Hearings and Mark-ups**

**March 3, 2016**

Convened a joint Subcommittee hearing with the Subcommittee on Oversight, *Department of Energy Oversight: The DOE Loan Guarantee Program*.

## **SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT:**

### **Hearings and Mark-ups**

**March 16, 2016**

Convened a Subcommittee hearing, *An Overview of the Budget Proposal for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for Fiscal Year 2017*.

**March 23, 2016**

Convened a Subcommittee hearing, *Examining EPA's Regional Haze Program: Regulations Without Visible Benefits*.

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## **SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT:**

### **Hearings and Mark-ups**

**March 3, 2016**

Convened a joint Subcommittee hearing with the Subcommittee on Oversight, *Department of Energy Oversight: The DOE Loan Guarantee Program*.

**March 15, 2016**

Convened a Subcommittee hearing, *Racing to Regulate: EPA's Latest Overreach on Amateur Drivers*.

## **SUBCOMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY:**

### **Hearings and Mark-ups**

**March 2, 2016**

Convened a Subcommittee hearing, *Smart Health: Empowering the Future of Mobile Apps*.

**March 16, 2016**

Convened a Subcommittee hearing, *An Overview of the Budget Proposal for the National Institute of Standards and Technology for Fiscal Year 2017.*

**March 22, 2016**

Convened a Subcommittee hearing, *An Overview of the Budget Proposal for the National Science Foundation for Fiscal Year 2017.*

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON SPACE:**

**Hearings and Mark-ups**

**March 17, 2016**

Convened a Subcommittee hearing, *An Overview of the Budget Proposal for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for Fiscal Year 2017.*

## **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

### **FULL COMMITTEE:**

#### **March 3, 2016**

H.R. 4704, Advancing CCUS Technology Act, was introduced by Rep. David McKinley and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

#### **March 10, 2016**

H.R. 4727, to require the Secretary of the Department of Energy to issue a report on fusion innovation, was introduced by Rep. Alan Grayson and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

#### **March 14, 2016**

H.Res. 641, expressing support for designation of March 14, 2016, as “National Pi Day”, was introduced by Rep. Bill Foster and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

#### **March 15, 2016**

H.R. 4742, Promoting Women in Entrepreneurship Act, was introduced by Rep. Elizabeth Esty and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. The bill subsequently passed the House on a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill by a vote of 383 – 4 on March 22, 2016.

#### **March 16, 2016**

H.R. 4752, Space Exploration, Development, and Settlement Act of 2016, was introduced by Rep. Dana Rohrabacher and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R. 4755, Inspiring the Next Space Pioneers, Innovators, Researchers, and Explorers (INSPIRE) Women Act, was introduced by Rep. Barbara Comstock and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. The bill subsequently passed the House on a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill by a vote of 380 – 3 on March 22, 2016.

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H.R. 4765, Fire Department Proper Response and Equipment Prioritization Act, was introduced by Rep. Jaime Herrera Beutler and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

#### **March 17, 2016**

H.R. 4776, National Landslide Loss Reduction Act, was introduced by Rep. Suzan DelBene and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R. 4783, Commercializing on Small Business Innovation Act of 2016, was introduced by Rep. Steve Chabot and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R. 4803, Women and Minorities in STEM Booster Act of 2016, was introduced by Rep. Carolyn Maloney and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R. 4811, Coral Reef Sustainability through Innovation Act of 2016, was introduced by Rep. Mark Takai and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

**March 21, 2016**

Executive Communication No. 4679, letter from Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's Fiscal Year 2014 Methane Hydrate Program Report to Congress, pursuant to 30 U.S.C. 2003(c)(1)(C); Pub. L. 109-58, { 968(a); (119 Stat. 897).

**March 22, 2016**

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H.R. 4755, Inspiring the Next Space Pioneers, Innovators, Researchers, and Explorers (INSPIRE) Women Act, introduced by Rep. Barbara Comstock and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, passed the House on a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill by a vote of 380 – 3.

**March 23, 2016**

H.R. 4860, United States - Israel Cybersecurity Cooperation Act, was introduced by Rep. David Cicilline and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R. 4865, Nanotechnology Advancement and New Opportunities Act, was introduced by Rep. Michael Honda and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY:**

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Energy during March 2016.

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**SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT:**

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Environment during March 2016.

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT:**

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight during March 2016.

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY:**

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Research and Technology during March 2016.

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON SPACE:**

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Space during March 2016.

**U.S. House of Representatives**  
**Committee on Science, Space, and Technology**  
**Monthly Statement by Paid Date**  
**114-2      March**

| Description  | March               | YTD Including<br>March | Cumulative Total      |
|--|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Non Statutory Compensation                             | \$379,035.47        | \$1,117,931.39         | \$1,117,931.39        |
| <b>11 Personnel Compensation subtotal</b>              | <b>\$379,035.47</b> | <b>\$1,117,931.39</b>  | <b>\$1,117,931.39</b> |
| Lodging  | \$124.81            | \$124.81               | \$124.81              |
| Car Rental   | \$84.95             | \$84.95                | \$84.95               |
| Taxi/Parking/Tolls                                     | \$45.04             | \$225.92               | \$225.92              |
| <b>21 Travel subtotal</b>                              | <b>\$254.80</b>     | <b>\$435.68</b>        | <b>\$435.68</b>       |
| DC Telecommunication Equipment                         | -\$430.00           | \$448.00               | \$448.00              |
| DC Telecommunication Services                          | \$604.50            | \$1,209.00             | \$1,209.00            |
| DC Telecommunication Tolls                             | \$1,520.47          | \$3,851.69             | \$3,851.69            |
| <b>23 Rent, Communications, and Utilities subtotal</b> | <b>\$1,694.97</b>   | <b>\$5,508.69</b>      | <b>\$5,508.69</b>     |
| Printing & Reproduction                                | \$1,300.25          | \$2,026.11             | \$2,026.11            |
| Photographic (Transfer)                                | \$6.40              | \$6.40                 | \$6.40                |
| Reproduction of Fed/Public Law                         | \$380.00            | \$380.00               | \$380.00              |
| <b>24 Printing and Reproduction subtotal</b>           | <b>\$1,686.65</b>   | <b>\$2,412.51</b>      | <b>\$2,412.51</b>     |
| Bottled Water  | \$487.50            | \$701.74               | \$701.74              |
| Food & Beverage  | \$43.98             | \$43.98                | \$43.98               |
| Habitation Expense                                     | \$765.10            | \$765.10               | \$765.10              |
| Office Supplies (Outside)                              | \$646.50            | \$688.09               | \$688.09              |
| Office Supplies (Transfer)                             | \$187.68            | \$565.76               | \$565.76              |
| Computer Software <\$500                               | \$90.00             | \$90.00                | \$90.00               |
| Publications/Reference Material                        | \$6,970.00          | \$7,217.00             | \$7,217.00            |
| <b>26 Supplies and Materials subtotal</b>              | <b>\$9,190.76</b>   | <b>\$10,071.67</b>     | <b>\$10,071.67</b>    |
| Maintenance / Repairs                                  | \$1,727.24          | \$4,001.58             | \$4,001.58            |
| <b>31 Equipment subtotal</b>                           | <b>\$1,727.24</b>   | <b>\$4,001.58</b>      | <b>\$4,001.58</b>     |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>                                  | <b>\$393,589.89</b> | <b>\$1,140,361.52</b>  | <b>\$1,140,361.52</b> |

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**U.S. House of Representatives**  
**Committee on Science, Space, and Technology**  
**Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date**  
**March**

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Total Authorization</b>      |                       |
| <b>114-2</b>                    | <b>\$5,335,582.00</b> |
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| <b>Less Expenses for:</b>       |                       |
| <hr/>                           |                       |
| January, 2016                   | \$359,008.98          |
| February, 2016                  | \$387,762.65          |
| March, 2016                     | \$393,589.89          |
| <b>Total Expenses to Date:</b>  | <b>\$1,140,361.52</b> |
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| <b>Unexpended Authorization</b> | <b>\$4,195,220.48</b> |

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**U.S. House of Representatives**  
**Committee on Science, Space, and Technology - FM**  
**Monthly Statement by Paid Date**  
**114-2      March**

| <b>Description</b>          | <b>YTD Including</b> |                 | <b>Cumulative Total</b> |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
|                             | <b>March</b>         | <b>March</b>    |                         |
| Franked Mail                | \$75.28              | \$117.94        | \$117.94                |
| <b>FM Franking subtotal</b> | <b>\$75.28</b>       | <b>\$117.94</b> | <b>\$117.94</b>         |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>       | <b>\$75.28</b>       | <b>\$117.94</b> | <b>\$117.94</b>         |



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**Committee on Science, Space, and Technology - FM**  
**Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date**  
**March**

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|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Total Authorization</b>      |                   |
| <b>114-2</b>                    | <b>\$5,000.00</b> |
| <b>Less Expenses for:</b>       |                   |
| February, 2016                  | \$42.66           |
| March, 2016                     | \$75.28           |
| <b>Total Expenses to Date:</b>  | <b>\$117.94</b>   |
| <b>Unexpended Authorization</b> | <b>\$4,882.06</b> |

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

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|--------------|------------------|
| Fiscal Year: | 2016             |
| Month Paid:  | March-16         |
| Type         | (Multiple Items) |

| Name                       | Title                                       | Gross Monthly Compensation |
|----------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| Behna, Eric                | Intern                                      | \$500.00                   |
| Bharwani, Rajesh D.        | Deputy Staff Director                       | \$9,166.67                 |
| Brazauskas, Joseph         | Senior Counsel                              | \$7,500.00                 |
| Brown, Jennifer Y.         | Chief of Staff                              | \$12,218.75                |
| Calderon, Brittany         | Intern                                      | \$500.00                   |
| Callen, Ashley             | Chief Counsel for Investigations/Staff Dir. | \$11,666.67                |
| Charlton, Jonathan         | Intern                                      | \$1,000.00                 |
| Colliatie, Drew            | Professional Staff                          | \$6,250.00                 |
| Corcoran, Brian            | Policy Assistant                            | \$3,750.00                 |
| Criscuolo, Alicia          | Press Assistant                             | \$2,916.67                 |
| Crist, Laura               | Press Secretary                             | \$3,541.67                 |
| Danford, Christa           | Scheduler                                   | \$2,083.33                 |
| Danford, James Brian       | Speech Writer                               | \$5,000.00                 |
| Doerfort, Michael          | Intern                                      | \$1,000.00                 |
| Domenech, Emily            | Professional Staff                          | \$7,500.00                 |
| Echols, Lamar              | Professional Staff                          | \$6,666.67                 |
| English, Jonlyn Brystol    | Professional Staff                          | \$4,333.33                 |
| Eskandani, Rebekah         | Staff/Press Assistant                       | \$2,500.00                 |
| Flarida, Joseph            | Professional Staff                          | \$3,750.00                 |
| Fromm, Sharon Molly (Boyl) | Gen. Counsel & Parliamentarian              | \$10,000.00                |
| Gallo, Marcy E.            | Staff Director                              | \$9,166.67                 |
| Gurley, Emily Hollis       | Finance Assistant                           | \$250.00                   |
| Hammond, Tom J.            | Staff Director                              | \$11,666.67                |
| Ingram, Caroline           | Counsel                                     | \$6,875.00                 |
| Johnson, Stanton R.        | Professional Staff                          | \$1,666.67                 |
| Jordan, Taylor R.          | Professional Staff                          | \$5,416.67                 |
| Jorgenson, Sarah (Grady)   | Professional Staff                          | \$6,250.00                 |
| Kopshever, Kristin N       | Admin. & Comm. Director                     | \$7,500.00                 |
| Kurz, Zachary S.           | Communications Director                     | \$10,000.00                |
| Larson, Bess               | Policy Assistant                            | \$3,750.00                 |
| 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                 |
| Nguyen, Vinh-Son           | Intern                                      | \$1,000.00                 |
| Norman, Russell Evan       | Deputy Chief Counsel                        | \$7,583.33                 |
| Obermann, Richard M.       | Chief of Staff                              | \$13,750.00                |
| Palasits, Sara             | Research Assistant                          | \$2,166.67                 |
| Pasternak, Douglas S.      | Staff Director                              | \$10,416.67                |
| Philp, Curtis              | Shared Employee                             | \$5,000.00                 |
| Piazza, John L.            | Chief Counsel                               | \$11,833.33                |
| Roos, Amber Harris         | Finance Assistant                           | \$1,000.00                 |
| Rosenberg, Adam            | Staff Director                              | \$8,625.00                 |
| Ross, John E.              | Finance Director                            | \$650.00                   |
| Shank, Christopher M.      | Policy Director                             | \$13,750.00                |
| Shannon, Cliff             | Staff Director                              | \$14,166.67                |
| Smith, Ashley              | Senior Counsel & Chief Clerk                | \$11,666.67                |
| Sokolov, Dahlia L.         | Staff Director                              | \$11,000.00                |

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| Name                    | Title                          | Gross Monthly Compensation |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Stoika, Michelle        | Policy Assistant               | \$4,166.67                 |
| Vinyard, Ashlee         | Shared Employee                | \$1,041.67                 |
| 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                 |
| Whittaker, Larry W.     | Shared Employee                | \$3,750.00                 |
| Wickre, Jennifer        | Professional Staff             | \$7,500.00                 |
| Wright, Sangina Q.      | Senior Publications Editor     | \$5,000.00                 |
| Wydler, Christopher     | Senior Advisor to the Chairman | \$14,333.33                |
| Yamada, Richard         | Professional Staff             | \$7,500.00                 |
| Grand Total             |                                | \$379,035.47               |

