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House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY

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December 17, 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 November 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 November 2015

FULL COMMITTEE:

Hearings and Mark-ups

November 5, 2015

Convened a Full Committee hearing, *Examining EPA's Predetermined Efforts to Block the Pebble Mine*.

November 18, 2015

Convened a Full Committee hearing, *The Administration's Empty Promises for the International Climate Treaty*.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY:

Hearings and Mark-ups

November 18, 2015

Convened an Energy Subcommittee hearing, *Recommendations of the Commission to Review the Effectiveness of the National Energy Laboratories*.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT:

Hearings and Mark-ups

November 3, 2015

Convened a joint hearing with the Subcommittee on Oversight, *Renewable Fuel Standard: A Ten Year Review of Costs and Benefits*.

November 17, 2015

Convened a joint hearing with the Subcommittee on Space, *Exploring Commercial Opportunities to Maximize Earth Science Investments*.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT:

Hearings and Mark-ups

November 3, 2015

Convened a joint hearing with the Subcommittee on Environment, *Renewable Fuel Standard: A Ten Year Review of Costs and Benefits*.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY:

Hearings and Mark-ups

No Research and Technology Subcommittee hearings or markups were held in November 2015.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SPACE:

Hearings and Mark-ups

November 17, 2015

Convened a joint hearing with the Subcommittee on Environment, *Exploring Commercial Opportunities to Maximize Earth Science Investments.*

OTHER ACTIVITIES

FULL COMMITTEE:

November 5, 2015

H.R. 3939, EPA Maximum Achievable Contraction of Technocrats Act of 2015, was introduced by Rep. Morgan Griffith and referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee.

H.R. 3959, Innovate America Act, was introduced by Rep. Matt Cartwright and referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee.

H.R. 3983, BOSS Act, was introduced by Rep. Scott Peters and referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee.

Executive Communication No. 3415, Letter from Deputy CFO,, National Environmental Satellite, Data and Information Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule - Schedule of Fees for Access to NOAA Environmental Data, Information, and Related Products and Services [Docket No.: 150202106-5879-02] (RIN: 0648-BE86) received November 4, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Pub. L. 104-121, { 251.

November 16, 2015

The Senate amendment to H.R. 2262, the U.S. Commercial Space Launch Competitiveness Act, previously introduced by Rep. Kevin McCarthy and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, was passed in the House by voice vote. The bill was signed into law on November 25, 2015 (Public Law No: 114-90).

H.R. 3996, Surface Transportation Extension Act of 2015, Part II, was introduced by Rep. Bill Shuster, referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee, and passed the House by voice vote, The bill was signed into law on November 20, 2015 (Public Law No: 114-87).

November 18, 2015

H.R. 4066, Nuclear Innovation Act, was introduced by Rep. Alan Grayson and referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee.

November 19, 2015

H.R. 4084, Nuclear Energy Innovation Capabilities Act, was introduced by Rep. Randy Weber and referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee.

H.R. 4106, Vehicle Innovation Act of 2015, was introduced by Rep. Debbie Dingell and referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee.

November 20, 2015

H.R. 3996, Surface Transportation Extension Act of 2015, Part II, introduced by Rep. Bill Shuster, referred to the Science, Space, and Technology Committee, and passed by the House by voice vote, was signed into law by President Barack Obama (Public Law No: 114-87).

November 25, 2015

The Senate amendment to H.R. 2262, the U.S. Commercial Space Launch Competitiveness Act, previously introduced by Rep. Kevin McCarthy, referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and passed by the House by voice vote, was signed into law by President Barack Obama (Public Law No: 114-90).

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY:

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT:

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT:

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY:

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SPACE:

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

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Monthly Statement by Paid Date

114-1 November

Description	YTD Including		Cumulative Total
	November	November	
Non Statutory Compensation	\$460,740.54	\$4,327,054.38	\$4,327,054.38
Accrued Leave	\$0.00	\$2,465.27	\$2,465.27
11 Personnel Compensation subtotal	\$460,740.54	\$4,329,519.65	\$4,329,519.65
Commercial Transportation	\$356.00	\$8,075.90	\$8,075.90
Lodging	\$0.00	\$4,374.76	\$4,374.76
Car Rental	\$0.00	\$3,104.23	\$3,104.23
Private Auto Mileage	\$0.00	\$272.55	\$272.55
Taxi/Parking/Tolls	\$45.00	\$61.00	\$61.00
Travel Subsistence	\$0.00	\$2,048.18	\$2,048.18
21 Travel subtotal	\$401.00	\$17,936.62	\$17,936.62
DC Telecommunication Equipment	\$13,926.00	\$16,302.00	\$16,302.00
DC Telecommunication Services	\$596.75	\$5,967.50	\$5,967.50
DC Telecommunication Tolls	\$2,238.55	\$19,587.24	\$19,587.24
HIR Graphics	\$0.00	\$21.00	\$21.00
Recording (Transfer)	\$0.00	\$140.00	\$140.00
Postage/Courier/Box Rental	\$19.16	\$147.59	\$147.59
23 Rent, Communications, and Utilities subtotal	\$16,780.46	\$42,165.33	\$42,165.33
Printing & Reproduction	\$0.00	\$3,011.24	\$3,011.24
Photographic (Transfer)	\$0.00	\$44.80	\$44.80
Reproduction of Fed/Public Law	\$0.00	\$180.00	\$180.00
24 Printing and Reproduction subtotal	\$0.00	\$3,236.04	\$3,236.04
Laundry Services	\$118.99	\$237.98	\$237.98
Training	\$0.00	\$385.00	\$385.00
Representational Expenses	\$0.00	\$335.00	\$335.00
Technology Service Contracts	\$3,500.00	\$38,500.00	\$38,500.00
25 Other Services subtotal	\$3,618.99	\$39,457.98	\$39,457.98
Bottled Water	\$332.15	\$3,076.27	\$3,076.27
Food & Beverage	\$0.00	\$1,283.25	\$1,283.25
Office Supplies (Outside)	\$2,129.90	\$10,330.69	\$10,330.69
Office Supplies (Transfer)	\$1,567.35	\$9,952.94	\$9,952.94
Computer Software <\$500	\$0.00	\$2,790.80	\$2,790.80
Publications/Reference Material	\$0.00	\$2,740.04	\$2,740.04
26 Supplies and Materials subtotal	\$4,029.40	\$30,173.99	\$30,173.99
Comp. Hardware Purch. < \$25,000	\$0.00	\$3,207.56	\$3,207.56
Comp. Software <\$10k	\$0.00	\$6,704.36	\$6,704.36
Maintenance / Repairs	\$1,471.01	\$15,718.78	\$15,718.78
Warranties	\$0.00	\$99.00	\$99.00
31 Equipment subtotal	\$1,471.01	\$25,729.70	\$25,729.70
Total Expenses	\$487,041.40	\$4,488,219.31	\$4,488,219.31

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Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date
November

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
October, 2015	\$480,910.78
November, 2015	\$487,041.40
Total Expenses to Date:	\$4,488,219.31
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Unexpended Authorization	\$847,362.69

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Monthly Statement by Paid Date
114-1 November

Description	November	YTD Including November	Cumulative Total
Franked Mail	\$73.02	\$603.39	\$603.39
FM Franking subtotal	\$73.02	\$603.39	\$603.39
Total Expenses	\$73.02	\$603.39	\$603.39

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Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date
November

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
October, 2015	\$41.90
November, 2015	\$73.02
Total Expenses to Date:	\$603.39
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Unexpended Authorization	\$4,396.61

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

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

Name	Title	Gross Monthly Compensation
Bharwani, Rajesh D.	Deputy Staff Director	\$9,666.67
Brazauskas, Joseph	Senior Counsel	\$10,000.00
Brown, Jennifer Y.	Chief of Staff	\$10,781.25
Colliatie, Drew	Professional Staff	\$9,250.00
Corcoran, Brian	Policy Assistant	\$3,750.00
Criscuolo, Alicia	Press Assistant	\$2,916.67
Crist, Laura	Press Secretary	\$5,416.67
Danford, Christa	Scheduler	\$7,083.33
Danford, James Brian	Speech Writer	\$7,500.00
Domenech, Emily	Professional Staff	\$10,000.00
Doyle, Timothy	Staff Director	\$11,666.67
Echols, Lamar	Professional Staff	\$10,016.67
English, Jonlyn Bristol	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	\$12,500.00
Gallo, Marcy E.	Staff Director	\$9,166.67
Gangitano, Christian	Intern	\$1,000.00
Gurley, Emily Hollis	Finance Assistant	\$750.00
Hammond, Tom J.	Staff Director	\$14,016.67
Hsu, Cynthia	Research Associate	\$4,166.67
Ingram, Caroline	Counsel	\$6,875.00
Jordan, Taylor R.	Professional Staff	\$7,916.67
Jorgenson, Sarah (Grady)	Professional Staff	\$8,750.00
Kopshever, Kristin N	Admin. & Comm. Director	\$5,833.33
Kurz, Zachary S.	Communications Director	\$12,500.00
Li, Allen	Professional Staff	\$7,291.67
Marin, Mark	Staff Director	\$14,166.67
McDonald, Thea	Executive Assistant / Press Assistant	\$6,666.67
McGee, Jonathan	Shared Employee	\$1,666.67
Minerio, Michael	Counsel	\$9,666.67
Mixon, John (Del)	Intern	\$1,000.00
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
Palasits, Sara	Intern	\$500.00
Pasternak, Douglas S.	Professional Staff	\$9,458.33
Pearson, Daniel R.	Professional Staff	\$6,250.00
Piazza, John L.	Chief Counsel	\$11,833.33
Rice, Christian	Staff Assistant	\$4,166.67
Rockey, Daniel	Intern	\$1,000.00
Roos, Amber Harris	Finance Assistant	\$4,000.00
Rosenberg, Adam	Staff Director	\$8,625.00
Ross, Abigail E.	(blank)	\$2,100.00
Ross, John E.	Finance Director	\$2,550.00
Sanders, Jasmine	Intern	\$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

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Name	Title	Gross Monthly Compensation
Sokolov, Dahlia L.	Staff Director	\$11,000.00
Stoika, Michelle	Policy Assistant	\$6,666.67
Stout, Jared	Professional Staff	\$9,250.00
Vinyard, Ashlee	Shared Employee	\$11,950.00
Wandel, Bryan Paul	Finance Assistant	\$1,000.00
Weerasinghe, Pamitha D.	Professional Staff	\$4,166.67
Weston, Aaron	Counsel	\$9,166.67
Whitney, Pamela L.	Professional Staff	\$8,958.33
Whittaker, Larry W.	Shared Employee	\$3,750.00
Wickre, Jennifer	Professional Staff	\$10,000.00
Wright, Sangina Q.	Deputy Clerk	\$8,000.00
Wydler, Christopher	Senior Advisor to the Chairman	\$14,333.33
Yamada, Richard	Professional Staff	\$10,000.00
Grand Total		\$460,740.54

REPORT OF TRAVEL PERFORMED

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology

114th Congress, 1st Session

November 2015

Traveler	Dates of Travel		Purpose	Itinerary	Reimbursement Claimed			
	From	To			Trans.	Per Diem	Other	Total
Emily Domenech	11/6/2015	11/6/2015	Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory	WAS – TRE – WAS	\$178.00	\$0	\$0	\$178.00
Michelle Stokia	11/6/2015	11/6/2015	Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory	WAS – TRE – WAS	\$291.00	\$0	\$0	
Aaron Weston	11/6/2015	11/6/2015	Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory	WAS – TRE – WAS	\$178.00	\$0	\$0	\$178.00
Jared Stout	11/16/2015	11/19/2015	Space Commerce Conference	DCA – IAH – DCA	\$518.20	\$1,042.25	\$0	\$1,560.45