



Briefing Notice

The 2016 Budget: Impacts on Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy

Wednesday, February 25, 2015

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

366 Dirksen Senate Office Building

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The **Environmental and Energy Study Institute** (EESI)—in partnership with the **House Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Caucus**—invites you to a briefing on the energy efficiency and renewable energy implications of the fiscal year (FY) 2016 budget proposal released by President Obama on February 2. The Administration's budget proposal would invest \$7.4 billion in clean energy technology programs across all agencies, led by the Department of Energy (DOE), the Department of Defense, the National Science Foundation, and the Department of Agriculture. This briefing will focus on the DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), whose budget would increase to \$2.7 billion.

Speakers from the Department of Energy and the Congressional Research Service (CRS) will give an overview of the EERE budget requests, explain the Office's budget priorities, and provide context on how these priorities and trends compare to prior years. Speakers for this forum are:

- **Mike Carr**, Senior Advisor and EERE Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Department of Energy Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy
- **Fred Sissine**, Energy Policy Specialist, Congressional Research Service (CRS)
- **Scott Sklar**, Chair, Steering Committee, Sustainable Energy Coalition; President, Stella Group, Ltd.

The President's DOE FY 2016 Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy budget request includes increased funding for the Solar Energy program to nearly \$336 million, the Bioenergy Technologies program (\$246 million), Wind Energy program (\$145 million), the Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technologies program (\$103 million), the Geothermal Technologies program (\$96 million), and an increase in funding for the Water Power program (\$67million).

The Building Technologies program would receive an increase in funding (to \$264 million), to support the development of advanced materials and technologies, appliance standards, and other initiatives to reduce building energy use. The Advanced Manufacturing program would also receive a large increase (to \$404 million) to further American competitiveness.

This event is free and open to the public.

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