

Briefing Notice

The 2017 Budget: Impacts on Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy

Wednesday, March 9, 2016 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM HVC-215 Capitol Visitor Center (House side)

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The Environmental and Energy Study Institute (EESI)—in partnership with the House and Senate Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Caucuses—invites you to a briefing on the energy efficiency and renewable energy provisions of the President's budget request for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017.

Speakers from the Department of Energy, the National Renewable Energy Laboratory, and the Congressional Research Service (CRS) will give an overview of the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy's (EERE) budget request, explain the EERE Office budget priorities, and provide context on how these priorities and trends compare to prior years.

- David Friedman, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy
- Kelsi Bracmort, Agricultural Conservation and Natural Resources Policy Specialist, Congressional Research Service (CRS)
- **Scott Sklar**, Chair, Steering Committee, Sustainable Energy Coalition; President, Stella Group, Ltd.

The 2017 proposed budget seeks \$7.7 billion for clean energy research at 12 federal agencies, with the Department of Energy receiving the bulk of the funding (80 percent). The proposed budget would increase DOE's budget 10 percent over 2016 estimated levels, to \$32.5 billion. It recommends increasing the budget for DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy 40 percent over 2016 enacted levels, to \$2.9 billion. The proposed budget also would increase funding for the Advanced Research Projects Agency – Energy (ARPA-E) by 72 percent (ARPA-E funds the development of energy technologies that are not deemed ready for market investment).

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Amaury Laporte at alaporte@eesi.org or (202) 662-1884.