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Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy: FY 2008 Budget Review Thursday, March 22, 2007, 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

2325 Rayburn House Office Building

The Environmental and Energy Study Institute and the House and Senate Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency Caucuses invite you to a briefing addressing the impacts of the President's FY 2008 budget on energy efficiency and renewable energy (EE/RE) programs, including impacts upon states and low-income consumers. Energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies are critical cornerstones of a national energy policy that will meet the nation's goals of reducing energy imports, moderating energy prices, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and improving the economy, national security, the environment and public health.

The panel will cover the implications of the FY 2008 budget on federal energy efficiency and renewable energy programs, focusing primarily on DOE's energy efficiency and renewable energy R&D technology programs. It also will cover the impact of the budget on important energy programs operated by states, including weatherization. With dramatically rising energy prices for homes, businesses and vehicles, the states will share their concerns about shortfalls in Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) funding and the proposed cut to the Weatherization Assistance Program.

Scott Sklar, President, The Stella Group, and Chair, Sustainable Energy Coalition Steering Committee

Bill Prindle, Deputy Director, American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy (ACEEE)

Peter Smith, Chairman, National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO) and President, New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA)

With the House and Senate Budget Committees readying their recommendations for the Congress and as the Appropriations Committees hold their FY 08 hearings, this briefing is a timely forum in which to address the federal role in advancing energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies in our energy future.

This briefing is open to the public and media. No reservations are required. Please feel free to forward this notice. For more information, contact Fred Beck (fbeck@eesi.org), 202-662-1892.

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