

Member Update
ETEBA TN Chapter Meeting
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Topics of Interest

- Status of FY 2015 appropriations
- Near-term Congressional agenda
- DOE key personnel changes
- Small Business accounting at DOE
- Business Opportunities Conference

Status of FY 2015 Appropriations

- House has passed 7 of the 12 annual bills; worked 3 more through committee
- Senate has passed none; 8 have been marked up
- Full Senate action is stalled over EPA amendments and procedural battles
- No bills likely to be enacted by 9/30/14
- Could be early 2015 before appropriations are enacted

FY 2015 EM Appropriations

	FY 2014	FY 15 REQUEST	HOUSE PASSED	SENATE SUBCOMM
Defense Clean-up	\$5,000.0	\$4,864.5	\$4,801.3	\$5,102.0
Oak Ridge	215.0	206.9	217.8	228.9
WIPP	216.2	216.0	236.0	318.0
Hanford	2,151.2	2,083.1	2,085.1	2,176.0
SRS	1,134.2	1,150.1	1,104.9	1,150.1
Idaho	387.0	367.2	380.2	367.2
Uranium D&D Fund				
Oak Ridge	195.9	137.9	157.9	182.9
Paducah	265.2	207.2	207.2	207.2
Portsmouth	137.6	160.0	175.0	168.0
Non-Defense Cleanup	231.8	226.2	241.2	246.0

Near-term Congressional Agenda

- Only 10 legislative days on the calendar through September 20; in recess August 1-September 8
- Continuing Resolution: should be a no-brainer, but not done till it's done
- Reforms at Veterans Administration
- Border plan and supplemental funding
- House vote to authorize lawsuit against Obama
- "Able Act"

DOE Key Personnel Changes

- Deputy Secretary: Elizabeth Sherwood-Randall nominated; confirmation pending
- Under Secretary for Management & Performance: Elizabeth Robinson—withdrawn
- Principal Deputy Administrator NNSA: Madelyne Creedon—confirmed
- NNSA Uranium Program Manager: Tim Driscoll
- Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management: Dr. Monica Regalbuto—confirmation pending
 - Mark Whitney, Acting; also Principal Deputy
 - Dave Huizenga back to NNSA
- 5 other top level positions awaiting confirmation (including Office of Science and ARPA-E)

Change in counting SB awards at DOE

- Activity remains focused on the accounting system—what is in place now; ground rules for how to count; consistency and transparency
- Larger policy questions/implications under discussion??
- Timing of implementation uncertain

ETEBA Business Opportunities Conference

- November 18-20 at Knoxville Convention Center
- 15th Annual Conference and 25th anniversary for ETEBA; special reception to celebrate
- Sponsorship and exhibit opportunities now available—Please sign up now!
- Great speaker program; new golf tournament location; new exhibit hall layout
- Please plan to participate and pass the word!