

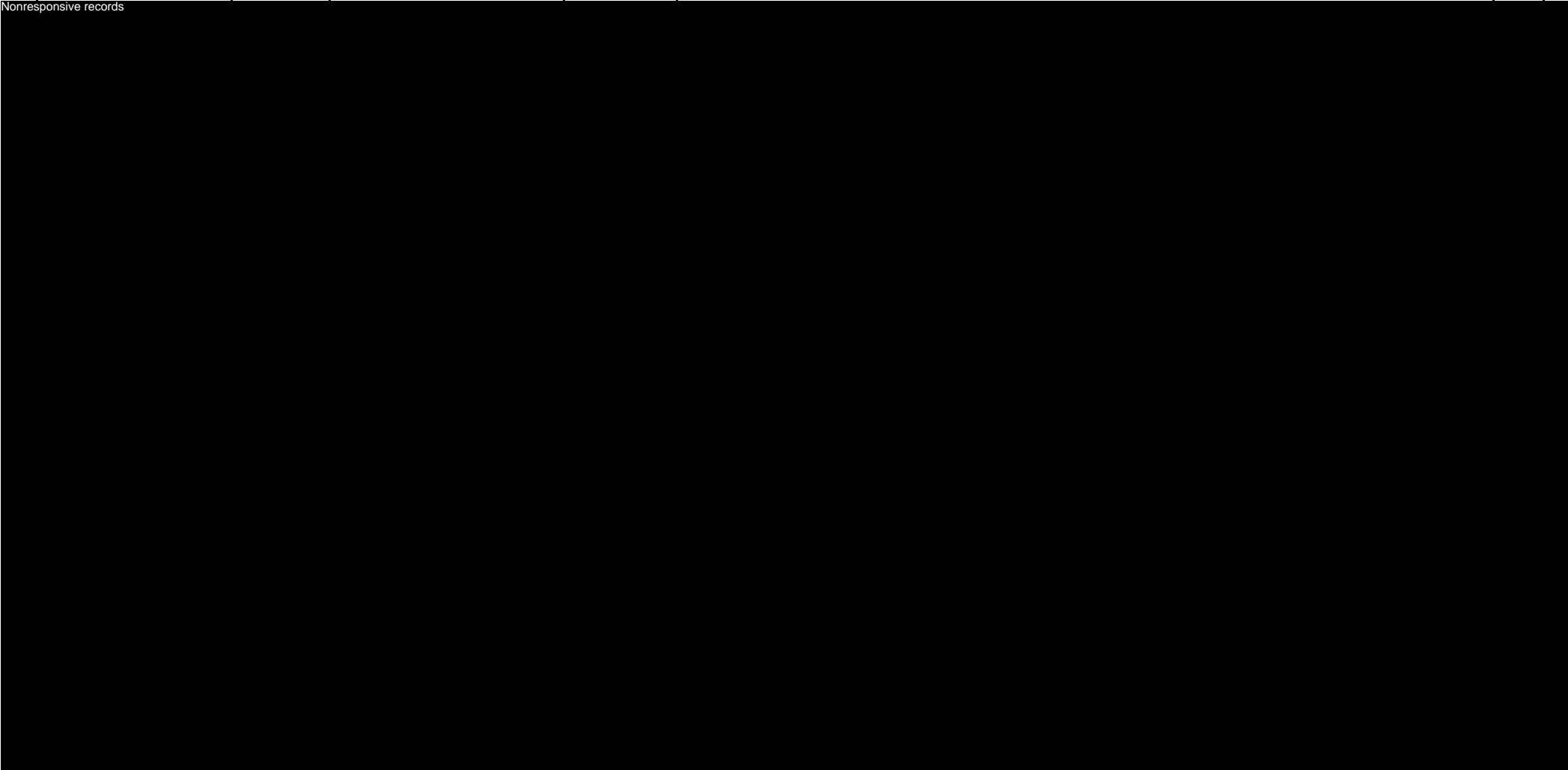
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From: Teresa L. Williamson
Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 10:16 AM
To: Deborah J. Bortot; Heather A. Jones; David J. Apol
Subject: Nominee Progress Update March 29, 2017
Attachments: Financial Disclosure Tracking System (FDTS)-Progress Reports Consolidated (29).xlsb

Filer	Date Recd	Agency [Position]	Reviewer	Report Progress	Days Pending
Ricketts, Todd (b) (5)	1/9/2017	Department Of Commerce [Deputy Secretary]	Leigh J. Francis	(b) (5) [REDACTED] [REDACTED]	79

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From: Teresa L. Williamson
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2017 12:49 PM
To: Kimberly L. Sikora Panza; Leigh J. Francis; Stephanie Nonluecha; Lorna A. Syme
Cc: Rachel K. Dowell
Subject: Please update you nominee progress report asap

Importance: High

Kim – Friedman
Leigh (Rachel back-up) – Ricketts
Stephanie – Lighthizer
Lorna – Shulkin

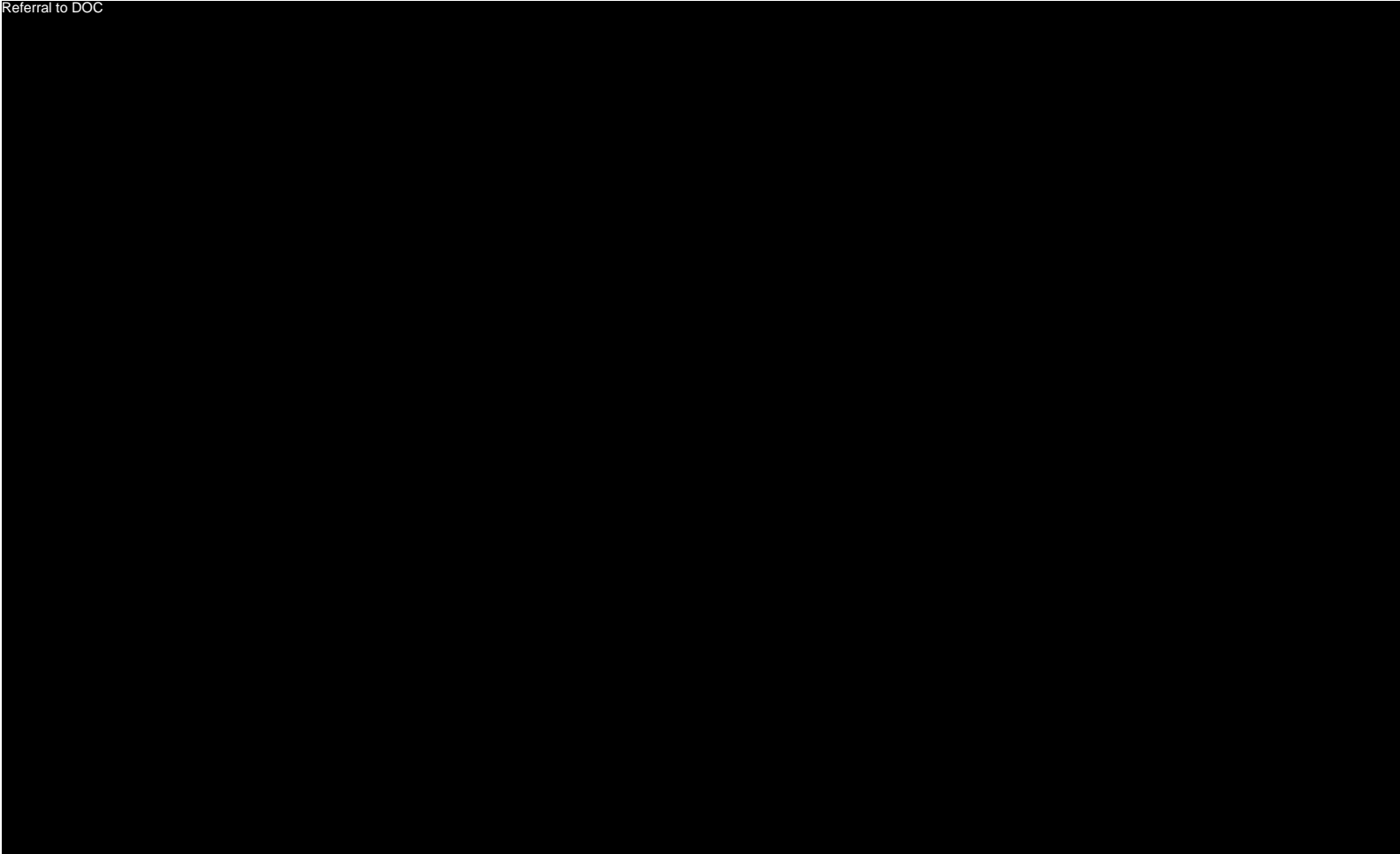
Please let me know once you've updated the progress report.

Thanks!
Teresa

Brandon A. Steele

From: Leigh J. Francis
Sent: Thursday, January 19, 2017 10:01 AM
To: Deborah J. Bortot
Subject: FW: Ricketts Report

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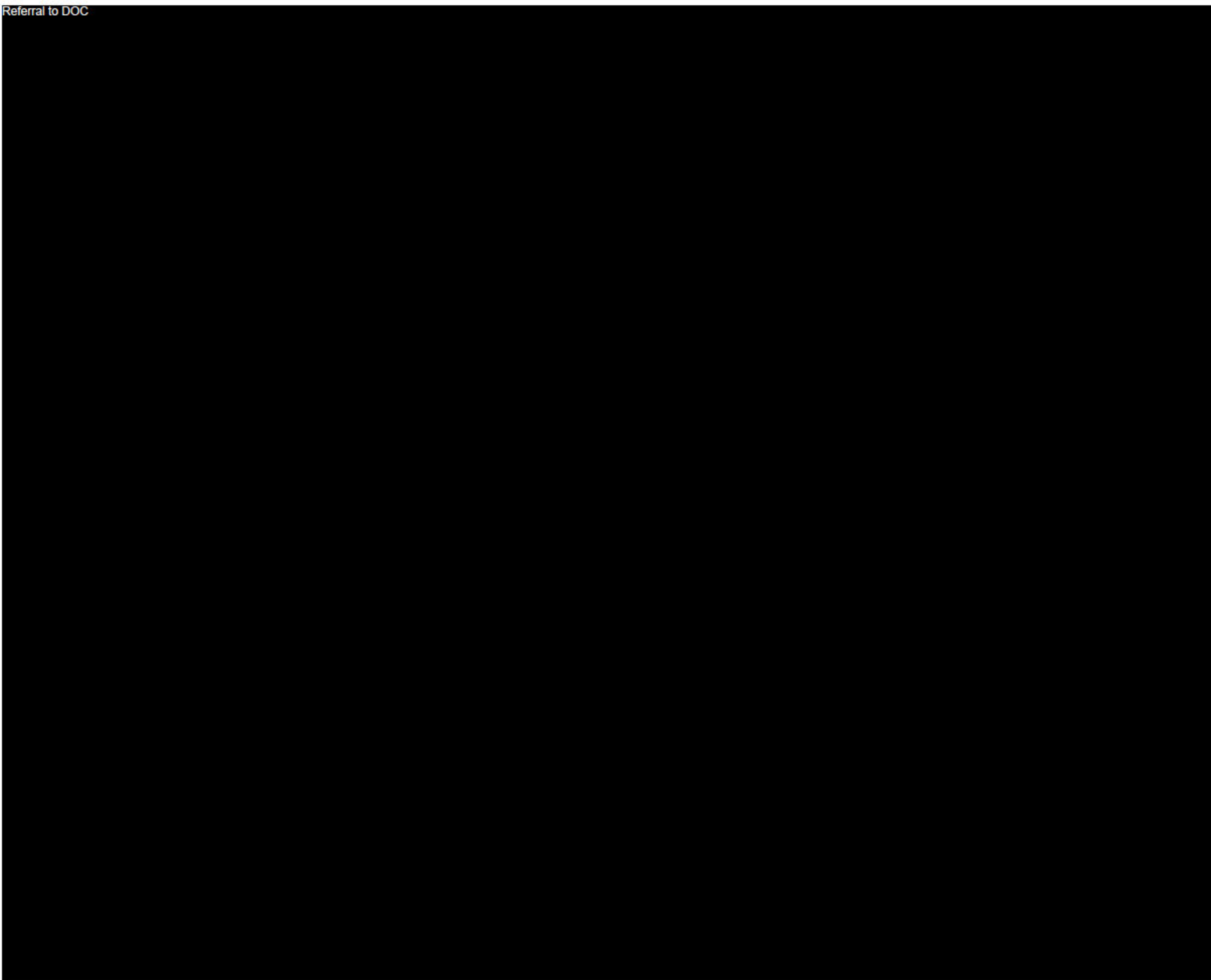
From: Leigh J. Francis [<mailto:ljfranci@oge.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2017 6:05 PM
To: Hermanowicz, Rebecca (Federal) <RHermanowicz@doc.gov>
Cc: Warren, Arthur (Federal) <AWarren@doc.gov>; Maggi, David (Federal) <dMaggi@doc.gov>; Williams, Gaye (Federal) <gWilliams@doc.gov>; Harrington, Jeffrey (Federal) <jHarrington@doc.gov>
Subject: RE: Ricketts Report

Hi Rebecca,

Could OGE and Commerce have a quick call tomorrow to discuss the Ricketts report? The General Counsel requested that I ask. If so, please let me know when would work. Thank you in advance.

Best,

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Brandon A. Steele

From: Elizabeth D. Horton
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 5:30 PM
To: Jennifer Matis; Christopher J. Swartz
Subject: FW: Summary of Conference Call
Attachments: Summary of Conference Call on Political Fundraising Act.docx

From: Elizabeth D. Horton
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2017 12:32 PM
To: Shelley K. Finlayson; Diana Veilleux
Subject: Summary of Conference Call

Good afternoon Shelley and Diana –

Please see attached.



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Summary of Conference Call on Political Fundraising Act – 5/18/17

Senator Whitehouse, Senator Udall and Rep. Deutch participated in the call.

Senator Whitehouse opened saying that there is a hole in reporting for executive nominees that needs to be patched so they can be aware of inappropriate conflicts of interest. Specifically, the Citizens United decision exploded loopholes in declaring political spending. This is the first crop of nominees under a new administration since that decision in 2010 (he called it the dark money period).

He named the Education Secretary and EPA administrator as prime examples of those who have raised and contributed millions of dollars in dark money on which they refused to answer questions during the confirmation process.

Rep. Deutch said that the proposed legislation is desperately needed so that they could put the onus on appointees to provide information on political activity. He said that the legislation would apply to PAS, SGEs, non-career SES and Schedule C appointees and would require reporting of contributions and solicitations of \$2700 or more to §§ 527, 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(6) entities. Additionally, OGE would be required to write rules to address these additional reporting requirements.

Senator Udall said that after Citizens United, campaign finance is out of control and he believes the decision should be overturned. He said that currently the government is being run by the super wealthy and that the American people should have a voice and know what influence dark money may have.

Thereafter, several members of the press (Bloomberg, NPR, Reuters) asked questions.

The first question was about the likelihood of the legislation passing given the Republican majority and their refusal to press for answers from nominees during recent confirmations.

Senator Whitehouse said that hopefully, pressure from the public will cause Republicans to support the legislation. Senator Udall said that Republicans once strongly supported full disclosure and that he hoped that they would continue to support that.

One reporter asked how the confirmation process (i.e., for EPA administrator) would be different if the legislation was law. Senator Whitehouse said that it would be known who had contributed to the individual's defense fund and the EPA ethics office would have been able to address the related conflicts in an appropriate ethics agreement and recusal requirements.

Senator Udall provided an example of a nominee (Ricketts) who eventually withdrew because of persistent questions about raising money for 501(c)(4) entities.

Rep. Deutch said that OGE needs to be able to write rules to address these particular conflicts and play a role in how they are handled.

Another reporter asked if they would like to see a rule prohibiting big dark money donors from getting cabinet or other PAS positions.

Rep. Deutch responded no because his goal was to focus on addressing conflicts of interest.

Senator Whitehouse said that in a perfect world, cabinet positions would not be “for sale,” but even in an imperfect world, the public should know what influence dark money may have on a nominee.

As an aside, Rep. Deutch mentioned that on his side, the Democracy Task Force is keeping track of all of the letters sent to the administration about COI and noted that to date, the administration has not responded to any of them.

Brandon A. Steele

From: Elizabeth D. Horton
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 10:22 AM
To: Agency Wide; News Clippings
Subject: Legislative Update for Thursday, April 20, 2017

The Senate and the House both meet in a pro forma session.

Executive Branch Ethics and Related News

Multiple outlets report that Todd Ricketts will withdraw his name from consideration as President Trump's deputy Commerce secretary. Mr. Ricketts reportedly struggled to unwind his complex financial holdings to the satisfaction of the Office of Government Ethics. [Chicago Cubs co-owner won't join Trump Cabinet \(The Hill\)](#); [Todd Ricketts, Trump's deputy commerce secretary pick, withdraws from consideration \(Politico\)](#); [Cubs' Todd Ricketts withdraws name for Trump's Cabinet \(Chicago Sun-Times\)](#); [Todd Ricketts, part of Cubs' ownership group, withdraws name for Trump cabinet spot \(USA Today\)](#); [Trump pick for Commerce's No. 2 withdraws, blames conflicts \(The Kansas City Star\)](#)

The Washington Post reports on OGE's chart illustrating the roughly 5,200 percent increase in public inquiries to OGE during the two fiscal quarters covering Donald Trump's election and inauguration compared to the same period during the Obama administration's first election and inauguration. [This insane chart shows just how much voters care about Trump's conflicts of interest](#)

Multiple outlets discuss the President's alleged conflicts of interest. [Explainer: The Trumps' conflict of interest issues \(EconoTimes\)](#); [100 Days of Corruption \(The American Prospect\)](#); [Trump's ethical squalor is worse than you thought \(The Washington Post \(Opinion\)\)](#); [President Trump Said in 2015 That He Has a 'Little Conflict of Interest' in Turkey \(Time\)](#); [I Have a Little Conflict of Interest': Trump Friendship With Turkey Now Makes a Lot More Sense \(Mediaite\)](#); [Documents reveal just how much wealth is inside White House \(ABC Action News\)](#)

Multiple outlets report that President Trump's record \$106.7 million inauguration fundraising haul drew heavily from U.S. companies with policy issues in front of the new administration. [Companies with issues before government wrote big checks for Trump's inauguration \(Politico\)](#); [Energy companies donated millions to Trump's inauguration \(The Hill\)](#); [Companies That Made Big Donations To Trump Inauguration Are Benefiting From Presidency \(The Huffington Post\)](#); [Energy companies gave millions to underwrite President Trump's inaugural \(USA Today\)](#)

Vanity Fair and *The Hill* report that Exxon has applied to the Treasury Department for a waiver from U.S. sanctions against Russia to work with Russia's state oil company on a joint venture. The articles note that Secretary of State Rex Tillerson was Exxon Mobil's CEO when he struck the joint venture deal, worth hundreds of billions of dollars, with Russian President Vladimir Putin. [OF COURSE EXXON IS ASKING THE U.S. TO WAIVE ITS SANCTIONS ON RUSSIA \(Vanity Fair\)](#); [Exxon asks Trump administration for waiver from Russia sanctions \(The Hill\)](#); Also on the front page of *The Wall Street Journal*.

RawStory reports on the potential conflicts of interest of President Trump's pick for deputy secretary of Health and Human Services. [Trump's latest HHS nominee has extensive ties to health care industry](#)

Politico and *International Business Times* report that billionaire investor Steve Schwarzman's status as a trusted outside adviser for President Trump has created blurred lines in which he is offering guidance on policies that could boost the fortunes of his company and his personal wealth. [Trump's billionaire adviser stands to gain from policies he helped shape \(Politico\)](#); [How Billionaire Trump Adviser Evades Ethics Law While Shaping Policies That Make Money For His Wall Street Firm \(International Business Times\)](#)

Multiple outlets discuss Ivanka Trump's alleged conflicts of interest. [Donald Trump's Daughter Ivanka Trump Breaks Government Ethics Code Despite Serving In Her Father's Government \(Travelers Today\)](#); [Ivanka Trump involved in possible conflict of interest \(KTVA\)](#); [Ivanka Trump's conflicts of interest are serious business \(The Daily Gazette\)](#)

Bloomberg BNA discusses the revolving door between high-ranking SEC officials and law and financial firms. [New SEC Alums Swarm 'Revolving Door' to Financial, Law Firms](#)

Federal Agency and Related News

Multiple outlets discuss the possibility of a government shutdown and the negotiations underway to avoid it. [How Trump's First 100 Days Could End in a Government Shutdown \(Government Executive\)](#); [Government shutdown: What we know so far \(CNN\)](#); [Opinion: Trump's 100th Day Could Start With a Government Shutdown \(Roll Call\)](#); [5 reasons the government might shut down \(Politico\)](#); [White House eyes harder line on shutdown talks \(Politico\)](#)

Next Scheduled Recess:

House: April 7-21

Senate: April 10-21

Brandon A. Steele

From: Brandon A. Steele
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 4:11 PM
To: Agency Wide
Cc: News Clippings
Subject: Legislative Update for Tuesday, February 28, 2017

The Senate reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

According to *CQ*, the Senate reconvened at 10 a.m. and was expected to resume debate of the nomination of Rep. Ryan Zinke, R-Mont., to be Interior secretary. At 9 p.m., the House and Senate will meet in a joint session of Congress for an address by President Donald Trump.

The House reconvened at 12:00 p.m.

According to *CQ*, the House reconvened at noon for legislative business and is expected to consider a bill (HR 998) that would establish a commission to review existing regulations for repeal.

Executive Branch Ethics and Related News

Pro Publica reports that records from NYC show that President Trump earned no more than half of the \$21 million he reported on his candidate financial disclosure form for a contract with NYC. The piece states that “the records add to the suspicion [...] that Trump’s official disclosures exaggerate his accomplishments as a businessman by reporting gross receipts rather than actual profits.” The piece goes on to state that OGE “reviews financial disclosures for compliance. It doesn’t audit the filings, leaving it up to the candidates to decide whether to report gross revenue or net income from their business dealings.” [Trump Said He Made \\$21 Million in Income From His New York Contracts. He Actually Made a Lot Less.](#)

Inside Counsel discusses the Trump Organization’s use of an ethics adviser and cautions against other companies adopting this practice. [Trump’s Company Is Hiring an Ethics Adviser. Should Yours?](#)

Outlets report on the transition. [Trouble brewing for Deputy Commerce Secretary nominee Todd Ricketts](#) [Trump son-in-law Kushner keeping some investments, report says](#) [Wilbur Ross, to be key player in NAFTA negotiations, confirmed as Commerce secretary](#) [Obama’s Nominees Versus Trump’s: Comparing Apples to Fake Fruit Laced With Arsenic](#) [TRUMP LOSES ANOTHER NOMINEE TO BUSINESS CONFLICTS OF INTEREST](#) [Trump’s presidential transition funded by special interests he blasted](#) [Trump: No plans to fill 'unnecessary' appointed positions](#) [Dan Coats faces Senate confirmation hearing to be top U.S. intelligence official](#) [Records show EPA's Pruitt used private email, despite denial at confirmation hearing](#) [Why Trump Has Made So Few Appointments](#) [GOP foreign policy adviser Robert C. O'Brien under consideration to be Trump's Navy secretary](#)

Federal News Radio reports that the White House’s Chief Digital Officer may have left his position after only one month because of interests in a fundraising business he co-founded. [Chief digital officer for Trump steps down amid uncertain circumstances](#)

Government Executive reports that responses to FOIA requests reveal “egregious on-the-job pornography viewing at 12 agencies.” [100 Feds Found to Be Frequent Workplace Porn-Watchers](#)

Federal Agency and Related News

Vox discusses the proposed \$54 billion for various programs. [Trump’s plan to increase military spending by cutting EPA and State: what we know](#)

Next Scheduled Recess:

House: March 3-6

Senate: March 16-17

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From: Teresa L. Williamson
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2017 10:58 AM
To: Lorna A. Syme; Rachel K. Dowell; Sandra S. Mabry; Keith Labeledz; Leigh J. Francis; Jim Robertson; Jack MacDonald; Stephanie Nonluecha; Megan V. Granahan; Patrick J. Lightfoot; Kimberly L. Sikora Panza; Elaine Newton; Monica M. G. Ashar
Cc: LEGTEAM; Emory A. Rounds III; Brandon L. Bunderson; Vincent Salamone; Steven Corbally; Grace A. Clark; Cheryl L. Kane-Piasecki; Deborah J. Bortot; Dale A. Christopher; Nicole Stein; Daniel L. Skalla; Elizabeth D. Horton; Wendy G. Pond; Heather A. Jones; Diana Veilleux; Seth Jaffe; David A. Meyers; Ciara M. Guzman; Patrick Shepherd; Rodrick T. Johnson; Kimberley H. Kaplan; Christopher J. Swartz; Jaideep Mathai
Subject: NEW NOMINATION - January 20, 2017
Importance: High

The following nominations have been posted on THOMAS. You will be contacted separately regarding any actions required regarding these nominations.

Thanks! Teresa

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Kim Sikora Panza (INTEGRITY) (b)(5)

PN49 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Seema Verma** — **Department of Health and Human Services**

Seema Verma, of Indiana, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, vice Marilyn B. Tavenner.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Finance

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Finance. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Kim Sikora Panza (INTEGRITY) (b)(5)

PN53 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **David Friedman** — **Department of State**

David Friedman, of New York, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Israel.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Foreign Relations

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Leigh (INTEGRITY) (b)(5)

PN45 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Todd M. Ricketts** — **Department of Commerce**

Todd M. Ricketts, of Illinois, to be Deputy Secretary of Commerce.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Stephanie (INTEGRITY) (b)(5)

PN42 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Robert Lighthizer** — **Executive Office of the President**

Robert Lighthizer, of Florida, to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Finance

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Finance. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Lorna (INTEGRITY) (b)(5)

PN39 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **David J. Shulkin** — **Department of Veterans Affairs**

David J. Shulkin, of Pennsylvania, to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Veterans' Affairs

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Elaine (INTEGRITY) (b)(5)

PN38 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Andrew F. Puzder** — **Department of Labor**

Andrew F. Puzder, of Tennessee, to be Secretary of Labor.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - (b)(5)

PN52 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Terry Branstad** — **Department of State**

Terry Branstad, of Iowa, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the People's Republic of China.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Foreign Relations

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - (b)(5)

PN47 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Jay Clayton** — **Securities and Exchange Commission**

Jay Clayton, of New York, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for a term expiring June 5, 2021, vice Daniel M. Gallagher, Jr. (term expired).

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - (b)(5)

PN46 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Vincent Viola** — **Department of Defense**

Vincent Viola, of New York, to be Secretary of the Army, vice Eric Kenneth Fanning.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Armed Services

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Armed Services. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - (b)(5)

PN41 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Daniel Coats** — **Office of the Director of National Intelligence**

Daniel Coats, of Indiana, to be Director of National Intelligence, vice James R. Clapper, Jr.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Intelligence

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Select Committee on Intelligence. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Lorna (INTEGRITY) (b)(5)

PN28 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Steven T. Mnuchin** — **International Monetary Fund**

Steven T. Mnuchin, of California, to be United States Governor of the International Monetary Fund, United States Governor of the African Development Bank, United States Governor of the Inter-American Development Bank, and United States Governor of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for a term of five years, vice Jacob Joseph Lew, resigned.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Foreign Relations

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Lorna (INTEGRITY) (b)(5)

PN27 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Steven T. Mnuchin** — **European Bank for Reconstruction and Development**

Steven T. Mnuchin, of California, to be United States Governor of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, United States Governor of the African Development Fund, and United States Governor of the Asian Development Bank, vice Jacob Joseph Lew, resigned.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Foreign Relations

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Lorna (INTEGRITY) (b)(5)

PN26 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Steven T. Mnuchin — Department of the Treasury**

Steven T. Mnuchin, of California, to be Secretary of the Treasury.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Finance

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Finance. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Stephanie (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN51 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Nikki R. Haley — United Nations**

Nikki R. Haley, of South Carolina, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Foreign Relations

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Stephanie (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN50 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Nikki R. Haley — Department of State**

Nikki R. Haley, of South Carolina, to be the Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, and the Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Foreign Relations

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Rachel (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN48 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Linda E. McMahon — Small Business Administration**

Linda E. McMahon, of Connecticut, to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration, vice Maria Contreras-Sweet, resigned.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Stephanie (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN44 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Scott Pruitt — Environmental Protection Agency**

Scott Pruitt, of Oklahoma, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Lorna (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN43 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Mike Pompeo — Central Intelligence Agency**

Mike Pompeo, of Kansas, to be Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, vice John Owen Brennan.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Intelligence

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Considered by Senate. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Stephanie (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN40 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **John F. Kelly — Department of Homeland Security**

John F. Kelly, of Virginia, to be Secretary of Homeland Security.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - **Confirmed by the Senate** by Yea-Nay Vote. 88 - 11. Record Vote Number: 30. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Megan (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN37 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Elisabeth Prince DeVos — Department of Education**

Elisabeth Prince DeVos, of Michigan, to be Secretary of Education.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Jim (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN36 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **James Richard Perry** — **Department of Energy**

James Richard Perry, of Texas, to be Secretary of Energy.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Sandy (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN35 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Elaine L. Chao** — **Department of Transportation**

Elaine L. Chao, of Kentucky, to be Secretary of Transportation.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Monica (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN34 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Benjamin S. Carson Sr.** — **Department of Housing and Urban Development**

Benjamin S. Carson, Sr., of Florida, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Patrick (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN33 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Thomas Price** — **Department of Health and Human Services**

Thomas Price, of Georgia, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Finance

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Finance. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Keith (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN32 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Wilbur L. Ross Jr.** — **Department of Commerce**

Wilbur L. Ross, Jr., of Florida, to be Secretary of Commerce.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Lorna (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN31 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Ryan Zinke** — **Department of the Interior**

Ryan Zinke, of Montana, to be Secretary of the Interior.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Jack (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN30 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Jeff Sessions** — **Department of Justice**

Jeff Sessions, of Alabama, to be Attorney General.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Judiciary

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Monica (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN29 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **James Mattis** — **Department of Defense**

James Mattis, of Washington, to be Secretary of Defense.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - **Confirmed by the Senate** by Yea-Nay Vote. 98 - 1. Record Vote Number: 29. ([All Actions](#))

NOMINATION - OGE Reviewer: Leigh (*INTEGRITY*) (b)(5)

PN25 — 115th Congress (2017-2018) — **Rex W. Tillerson** — **Department of State**

Rex W. Tillerson, of Texas, to be Secretary of State.

Date Received from President: 01/20/2017

Committee: Foreign Relations

Latest Action: 01/20/2017 - Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. ([All Actions](#))

From: [Integrity.gov](https://integrity.gov)
To: [Teresa L. Williamson](#)
Subject: Integrity.gov: Report Pending Action
Date: Monday, January 09, 2017 8:41:27 AM

A 2017 Nominee report for Ricketts, Todd M is pending your action as Router. You may access the report by logging into integrity at <https://integrity.gov>.

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Filer Profile - **Ricketts, Todd**

Agency

Department Of Commerce

Position Title

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All documents for this filer

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From: [Walter M. Shaub](#)
To: ["Maggi, David \(Federal\)"](#)
Cc: [Deborah J. Bortot](#); [Keith Labeledz](#)
Subject: RE: Secretary of Commerce-Designate
Date: Thursday, December 29, 2016 4:00:34 PM

Thanks. A couple thoughts: (b) (6), (b) (5)

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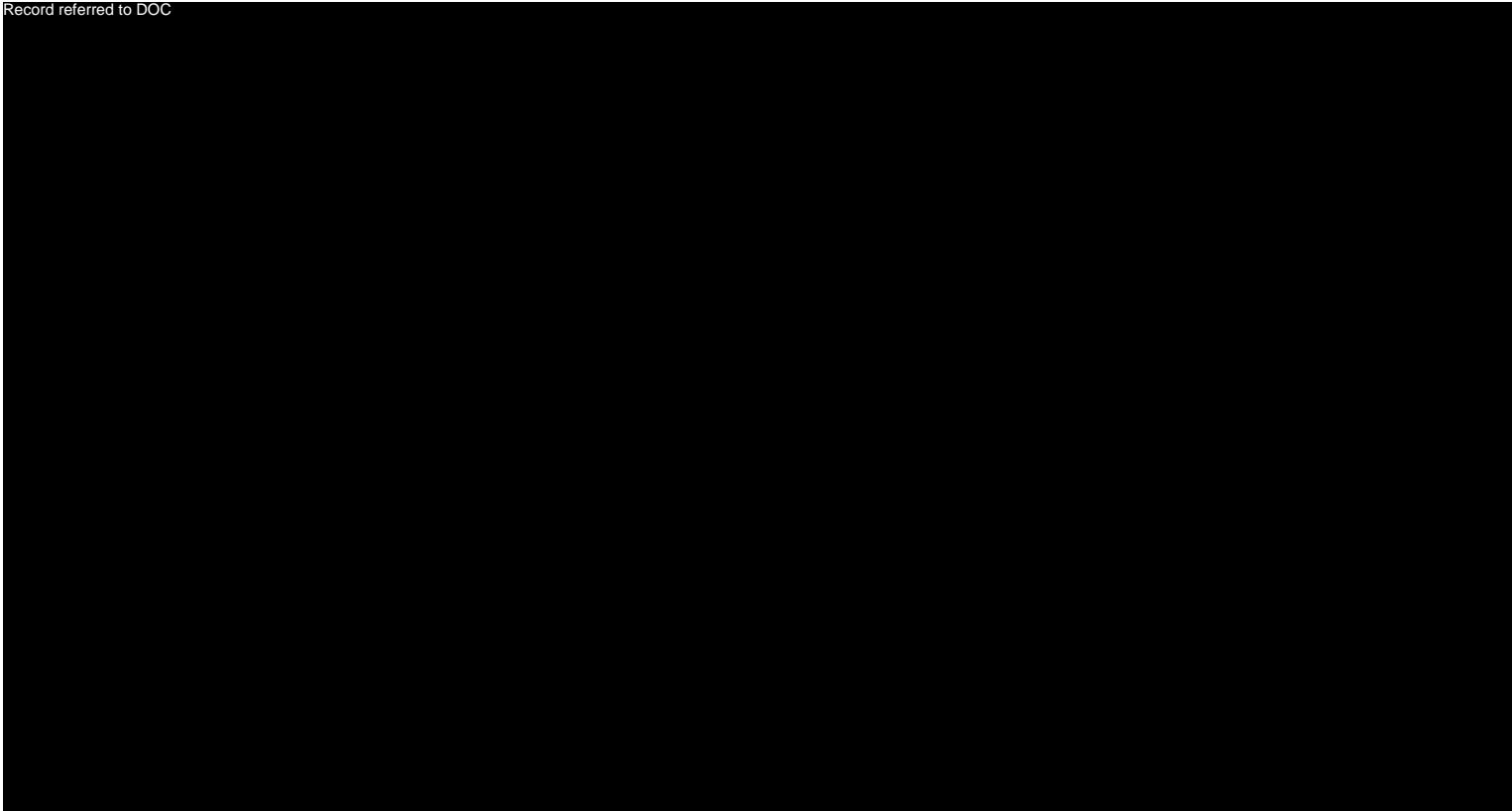
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On Feb 3, 2017, at 3:43 PM, David J. Apol <djapol@oge.gov> wrote:

Jim,

Just wanted to remind you and confirm that, per an earlier discussion with you and Stefan, (b) (5), (b) (6)

(b) (6) We heard that there was going to be a call with your office and his representatives in the last few days. Is there any update or (b) (5)

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