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#### House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY

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January 14, 2016

The Honorable Candice Miller Committee on House Administration U.S. House of Representatives 1309 Longworth HOB Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Miller,

In accordance with the regulations of the Committee on House Administration, I am submitting herewith the monthly report of the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology for December 2015, including the following:

- A summary of specific programs and investigations;
- A statement of expenses and fund balance;
- A statement of authorized Committee travel expenses, and
- A listing of Committee employees showing their titles and gross monthly salaries.

This letter also certifies that copies of this report are available to each Member of the Committee.

Sincerely,

Lamar Smith

Lana Smith

Chairman

# MONTHLY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY December 2015

#### **FULL COMMITTEE:**

#### **Hearings and Mark-ups**

December 1, 2015

Convened a Full Committee hearing, *Pitfalls of Unilateral Negotiations at the Paris Climate Change Conference*.

#### December 2, 2015

Convened a Full Committee event, Live from the International Space Station.

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY:

#### **Hearings and Mark-ups**

December 3, 2015

Convened an Energy Subcommittee hearing, H.R. 4084, the Nuclear Energy Innovation Capabilities Act.

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT:

#### Hearings and Mark-ups

**December 10, 2015** 

Convened a joint Environment Subcommittee hearing with the Oversight Subcommittee, *An Overview of the Nation's Weather Satellite Programs and Policies*.

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT:

#### Hearings and Mark-ups

December 10, 2015

Convened a joint Oversight Subcommittee hearing with the Environment Subcommittee, *An Overview of the Nation's Weather Satellite Programs and Policies*.

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY:

#### Hearings and Mark-ups

December 8, 2015

Convened a Research and Technology Subcommittee hearing, *The Future of Biotechnology: Solutions for Energy, Agriculture and Manufacturing.* 

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON SPACE:

Hearings and Mark-ups
No Space Subcommittee hearings or markups were held in December 2015.

#### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

#### **FULL COMMITTEE:**

#### December 3, 2015

H.R. 8, North American Energy Security and Infrastructure Act of 2015, introduced by Rep. Fred Upton and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, passed the House by a vote of 249 - 174.

H.R. 4174, Manufacturing Skills Act of 2015, was introduced by Rep. Tony Cardenas and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.Res. 548, expressing support for designation of February 12, 2016, as "Darwin Day" and recognizing the importance of science in the betterment of humanity, was introduced by Rep. James Himes and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

Executive Communication No. 3661, Letter from Assistant Administrator, Office of Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule - NASA FAR Supplement: Safety and Health Measures and Mishap Reporting (RIN: 2700-AE16) received November 30, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Pub. L. 104-121, { 251; (110 Stat. 868).

#### December 7, 2015

H.Res. 554, Supporting the goals and ideals of "Computer Science Education Week", was introduced by Rep. Susan Brooks and referred to the.

Executive Communication No. 3688, Letter from Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule - Federal Acquisition Regulation; Retention Periods [FAC 2005-85; FAR Case 2015-009; Item V; Docket No.: 2015-0009, Sequence No.: 1] (RIN: 9000-AN12) received December 4, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Pub. L. 104-121, { 251; (110 Stat. 868).

Executive Communication No. 3690, Letter from Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule - Federal Acquisition Regulation; Pilot Program for Enhancement of Contractor Employee Whistleblower Protections [FAC 2005-85; FAR Case 2013-015; Item IV; Docket 2013-0015, Sequence 1] (RIN: 9000-AM56) received December 4, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Pub. L. 104-121, { 251; (110 Stat. 868).

Executive Communication No. 3691, Letter from Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's interim rule - Federal Acquisition Regulation; Updating Federal Contractor Reporting of Veterans' Employment [FAC 2005-85; FAR Case 2015-036; Item III; Docket No.: 2015-0036, Sequence No.: 1] (RIN: 9000-AN14) received December 4, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Pub. L. 104-121, { 251; (110 Stat. 868).

Executive Communication No. 3692, Letter from Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule - Federal Acquisition Regulation; Further Amendments to Equal Employment Opportunity [FAC 2005-85; FAR Case 2015-013; Item II; Docket No.: 2015-0013, Sequence No.: 1] (RIN: 9000-AN01) received December 4, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Pub. L. 104-121, { 251; (110 Stat. 868).

Executive Communication No. 3693, Letter from Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's interim rule - Federal Acquisition Regulation: Prohibition on Contracting with Corporations with Delinquent Taxes or a Felony Conviction [FAC 2005-85; FAR Case 2015-011; Item No.: I; Docket No.: 2015-0011; Sequence No.: 1] (RIN: 9000-AN05) received December 4, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Pub. L. 104-121, { 251; (110 Stat. 868).

#### **December 8, 2015**

Executive Communication No. 3726, Letter from Assistant Administrator for Procurement, Office of Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule - NASA Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: NASA Capitalization Threshold (NFS Case 2015-N004) (RIN: 2700-AE23) received December 7, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Pub. L. 104-121, { 251; (110 Stat. 868).

#### December 9, 2015

H.R. 4206, 21st Century Power Grid Act, was introduced by Rep. John Sarbanes and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

#### **December 16, 2015**

H.R. 4271, End EPA Advertising Act, was introduced by Rep. Jason Smith and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

#### **SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY:**

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Energy during December 2015.

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Environment during December 2015.

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight during December 2015.

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Research and Technology during December 2015.

#### **SUBCOMMITTEE ON SPACE:**

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Space during December 2015.

#### Committee on Science, Space, and Technology

#### Monthly Statement by Paid Date

114-1 December

		YTD Including	
Description	December	December	Cumulative Total
Non Statutory Compensation	\$446,395.16	\$4,773,449.54	\$4,773,449.54
Accrued Leave	\$0.00	\$2,465.27	\$2,465.27
11 Personnel Compensation subtotal	\$446,395.16	\$4,775,914.81	\$4,775,914.81
Commercial Transportation	\$1,376.40	\$9,452.30	\$9,452.30
Lodging	\$761.89	\$5,136.65	\$5,136.65
Car Rental	\$275.10	\$3,379.33	\$3,379.33
Private Auto Mileage	\$0.00	\$272.55	\$272.55
Taxi/Parking/Tolls	\$36.69	\$97.69	\$97.69
Travel Subsistence	\$307.97	\$2,356.15	\$2,356.15
21 Travel subtotal	\$2,758.05	\$20,694.67	\$20,694.67
DC Telecommunication Equipment	\$350.00	\$16,652.00	\$16,652.00
DC Telecommunication Services	\$604.50	\$6,572.00	\$6,572.00
DC Telecommunication Tolls	\$1,776.49	\$21,363.73	\$21,363.73
HIR Graphics	\$0.00	\$21.00	\$21.00
Recording (Transfer)	\$0.00	\$140.00	\$140.00
Postage/Courier/Box Rental	\$0.00	\$147.59	\$147.59
23 Rent, Communications, and Utilities subtotal	\$2,730.99	\$44,896.32	\$44,896.32
Printing & Reproduction	\$513.50	\$3,524.74	\$3,524.74
Photographic (Transfer)	\$0.00	\$44.80	\$44.80
Reproduction of Fed/Public Law	\$160.00	\$340.00	\$340.00
24 Printing and Reproduction subtotal	\$673.50	\$3,909.54	\$3,909.54
Non-Technology Service Contracts	\$4,750.00	\$4,750.00	\$4,750.00
Laundry Services	\$69.99	\$307.97	\$307.97
Training	\$31,185.11	\$31,570.11	\$31,570.11
Representational Expenses	\$0.00	\$335.00	\$335.00
Technology Service Contracts	\$3,500.00	\$42,000.00	\$42,000.00
Web Dev Hst,Email & Rltd Serv	\$57.00	\$57.00	\$57.00
25 Other Services subtotal	\$39,562.10	\$79,020.08	\$79,020.08
Bottled Water	\$374.14	\$3,450.41	\$3,450.41
Food & Beverage	\$0.00	\$1,283.25	\$1,283.25
Framing (Transfer)	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Habitation Expense	\$269.61	\$269.61	\$269.61
Office Supplies (Outside)	\$5,421.65	\$15,752.34	\$15,752.34
Office Supplies (Transfer)	\$1,586.60	\$11,539.54	\$11,539.54
Computer Software <\$500	\$0.00	\$2,790.80	\$2,790.80
Publications/Reference Material	\$99.50	\$2,839.54	\$2,839.54
26 Supplies and Materials subtotal	\$8,051.50	\$38,225.49	\$38,225.49
Comp. Hardware Purch. < \$25,000	\$0.00	\$3,207.56	\$3,207.56
Comp. Software <\$10k	\$0.00	\$6,704.36	\$6,704.36
Maintenance / Repairs	\$6,814.01	\$22,532.79	\$22,532.79
Comp. Software Purchase > \$10,000	\$24,062.00	\$24,062.00	\$24,062.00
Warranties	\$0.00	\$99.00	\$99.00

#### Committee on Science, Space, and Monthly Statement by Paid Date 114-1 December

Description

31 Equipment subtotal

**Total Expenses** 

# YTD Including December December Cumulative Total \$30,876.01 \$56,605.71 \$56,605.71

\$5,019,266.62

\$531,047.31

\$5,019,266.62

#### Committee on Science, Space, and Technology

### Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date December

Total Authorization	
114-1	\$5,335,582.00
Less Expenses for:	
January, 2015	\$338,936.24
February, 2015	\$382,738.17
March, 2015	\$394,292.47
April, 2015	\$387,560.66
May, 2015	\$392,726.77
June, 2015	\$422,629.96
July, 2015	\$407,770.06
August, 2015	\$397,944.10
September, 2015	\$395,668.70
October, 2015	\$480,910.78
November, 2015	\$487,041.40
December, 2015	\$531,047.31
Total Expenses to Date:	\$5,019,266.62
Unexpended Authorization	\$316,315.38

#### Committee on Science, Space, and Technology - FM

#### Monthly Statement by Paid Date

#### 114-1 December

2		YTD Including	
Description	December	December	Cumulative Total
Franked Mail	\$56.16	\$659.55	\$659.55
FM Franking subtotal	\$56.16	\$659.55	\$659.55
Total Expenses	\$56.16	\$659.55	\$659.55

#### Committee on Science, Space, and Technology - FM

## Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date December

Total Authorization	
114-1	\$5,000.00
Less Expenses for:	
February, 2015	\$45.57
March, 2015	\$45.21
April, 2015	\$50.32
May, 2015	\$54.18
June, 2015	\$59.77
July, 2015	\$78.38
August, 2015	\$104.35
September, 2015	\$50.69
October, 2015	\$41.90
November, 2015	\$73.02
December, 2015	\$56.16
Total Expenses to Date:	\$659.55
Unexpended Authorization	\$4,340.45

# Committee on Science, Space, and Technology Payroll Information for Monthly Committee Report

Fiscal Year:	2015
Month Paid:	December-15
Туре	(Multiple Items)

		Grace Monthly
Name	Title	Gross Monthly Compensation
Bharwani, Rajesh D.	Deputy Staff Director	\$9,166.67
Brazauskas, Joseph	Senior Counsel	\$7,500.00
Brown, Jennifer Y.	Chief of Staff	\$10,781.25
Colliatie, Drew	Professional Staff	\$6,250.00
Corcoran, Brian	Policy Assistant	\$3,750.00
Criscuolo, Alicia	Press Assistant	\$2,916.67
Crist, Laura	Press Secretary	\$2,916.67
Danford, Christa	Scheduler	\$2,083.33
Danford, James Brian	Speech Writer	\$5,000.00
Domenech, Emily	Professional Staff	\$7,500.00
Doyle, Timothy	Staff Director	\$11,666.67
Echols, Lamar	Professional Staff	\$6,816.67
English, Jonlyn Brystol	Professional Staff	\$7,333.33
Eskandani, Rebekah	Staff/Press Assistant	\$3,800.00
Flarida, Joseph	Professional Staff	\$6,750.00
Fromm, Sharon Molly (Boyl)	Gen. Counsel & Parliamentarian	\$10,000.00
Gallo, Marcy E.	Staff Director	\$12,166.67
Gangitano, Christian	Intern	\$600.00
Gurley, Emily Hollis	Finance Assistant	\$1,450.00
Hammond, Tom J.	Staff Director	\$12,966.67
Hsu, Cynthia	Research Associate	\$5,466.67
Ingram, Caroline	Counsel	\$6,875.00
Jordan. Taylor R.	Professional Staff	\$5,416.67
Jorgenson, Sarah (Grady)	Professional Staff	\$6,250.00
Kopshever, Kristin N	Admin. & Comm. Director	\$10,500.00
Kurz, Zachary S.	Communications Director	\$10,000.00
Li, Allen	Professional Staff	\$10,291.67
Marin, Mark	Staff Director	\$14,166.67
McDonald, Thea	Executive Assistant / Press Assistant	\$4,166.67
McGee, Jonathan	Shared Employee	\$1,666.67
Minerio, Michael	Counsel	\$6,666.67
Mixon, John (Del)	Intern	\$600.00
Montgomery, Kimberly	Professional Staff	\$8,666.67
Norman, Russell Evan	Deputy Chief Counsel	\$10,583.33
Obermann, Richard M.	Chief of Staff	\$13,750.00
Palasits, Sara	Intern	\$500.00
Pasternak, Douglas S.	Professional Staff	\$13,758.33 \$9,602.78
Pearson, Daniel R. Piazza, John L.	Professional Staff Chief Counsel	\$14,034.25
Rice, Christian	Staff Assistant	\$4,166.67
Rockey, Daniel	Intern	\$300.00
Roos, Amber Harris	Finance Assistant	\$1,000.00
Rosenberg, Adam	Staff Director	\$11,625.00
Ross, John E.	Finance Director	\$2,550.00
Sanders, Jasmine	Intern	\$500.00
Shank, Christopher M.	Policy Director	\$13,750.00
Shannon, Cliff	Staff Director	\$14,166.67
Smith, Ashley	Senior Counsel & Chief Clerk	\$14,034.25
Sokolov, Dahlia L.	Staff Director	\$14,000.00
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## Committee on Science, Space, and Technology Payroll Information for Monthly Committee Report

Name	Title	Gross Monthly Compensation
Stoika, Michelle	Policy Assistant	\$4,166.67
Stout, Jared	Professional Staff	\$6,250.00
Vinyard, Ashlee	Shared Employee	\$7,850.00
Wandel, Bryan Paul	Finance Assistant	\$1,000.00
Weerasinghe, Pamitha D.	Professional Staff	\$7,166.67
Weston, Aaron	Counsel	\$6,666.67
Whitney, Pamela L.	Professional Staff	\$11,958.33
Whittaker, Larry W.	Shared Employee	\$6,534.25
Wickre, Jennifer	Professional Staff	\$7,500.00
Wright, Sangina Q.	Deputy Clerk	\$5,000.00
Wydler, Christopher	Senior Advisor to the Chairman	\$14,333.33
Yamada, Richard	Professional Staff	\$7,500.00
Grand Total		\$446,395.16

# REPORT OF TRAVEL PERFORMED

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology 114<sup>th</sup> Congress, 1<sup>st</sup> Session December 2015

Traveler	Dates o	Dates of Travel	Purpose	Itinerary	Re	Reimbursement Claimed	ıt Claime	po
	From	To			Trans.	Per Diem	Other Total	Total
Chairman Lamar	12/3/2015	12/5/2015	Energy Roundtable	Energy Roundtable WAS – Tulsa, OK –	\$375.20	\$375.20 \$233.78	80	\$6.809\$
Smith			and Space Forum	SAT				
Ashley Smith	12/3/2015	12/5/2015	Energy Roundtable	Energy Roundtable   WAS – Tulsa, OK –	\$357.70	\$357.70 \$314.71	80	\$672.41
			and Space Forum	WAS				