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GENERAL MEMORANDUM 11-052

DOE Releases Details on Tribal Energy Summit to be Held May 4-5

On April 27, 2011, the Department of Energy released further details on the Tribal Energy Summit it will host on May 4-5. The Summit will be held at the Crystal City Gateway Marriott at 1700 Jefferson Davis Highway Arlington, VA. For those who have not yet registered, the registration form is attached and must be emailed by *May, 1, 2011* to: registertribalsummit@hq.doe.gov. The detailed two-day schedule is also attached.

Speakers will include top level administration officials: Stephen Chu, Secretary, Department of Energy; Ken Salazar, Secretary, Department of Interior; Lisa Jackson, Administrator, EPA; Tom Vilsack, Secretary, Department of Agriculture (invited); Kim Teehee, White House Special Advisor on Native American Affairs; Heather Zichal, White House Deputy Assistant to the President for Energy and Climate Change; as well as congressional leadership.

Additional information for those planning to attend including hotel rates may be found at: <http://www.energy.gov/indianenergy/tribalsummit.htm>. For those unable to attend, the May 5 portion of the Summit will be streamed live at the above website (the May 4 portion is closed to the press thus will not be available on the Internet).

Discussion will not only focus on traditional renewable energy and oil and gas concerns but will also feature key agency officials who work with tribes on environmental clean-up and restoration, nuclear energy and nuclear waste, minority and small business contracting opportunities, and electricity transmission needs.

The Summit is the culmination of several Tribal Energy Roundtables which were held throughout the country (See our General Memoranda 11-011; 11-035; 11-038). The Department of Energy has indicated that it anticipates holding Post-Summit Roundtables throughout the country as well as future Tribal Summits.

Please let us know if we may provide additional information regarding the Department of Energy Tribal Energy Summit.

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Department of Energy (DOE) Tribal Summit
Tribal Leader
Registration Form

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Tribal Affiliation: _____

Phone number: _____

Fax number: _____

Email: _____

Attach additional pages as necessary to answer the following registration questions:

1. What is the best mechanism to communicate with your tribe?
2. What roundtable(s) will you participate in on May 4th, 2011(Please circle)?

Purpose: For elected tribal leadership/policymakers to directly interact with the DOE Program Offices having active ongoing relationships and interactions with tribes.

- Nuclear, Defense/Waste and Legacy, Revitalization
- Education, Contracting, Business Development
- Energy Efficiency and Renewable
- Transmission, Electrical Infrastructure, Reliability

3. What DOE program or office does your tribe interface with the most?
4. What energy-related issues would you like to see discussed by the DOE?
5. How many from your tribe will be travelling to the DOE Indian Summit (Please include names and titles)?
6. Do any attendees require special assistance (Please describe)?

Preliminary Agenda

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TRIBAL SUMMIT WITH
AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE LEADERS**

CRYSTAL CITY GATEWAY MARRIOTT - ARLINGTON

MAY 4-5, 2011

WEDNESDAY MAY 4, 2011

Pre-Summit Programmatic Roundtables with Tribal Elected Leadership (Closed to Press)

8:30-9:30 REGISTRATION and Continental Breakfast

9:30-10:00 Invocation, Welcome and Remarks from DOE

- Undersecretary Arun Majumda
- Principal Deputy Administrator Neile Miller
- Office of Indian Energy Director Tracey A. LeBeau

10:00-12:00 Roundtable Discussions with Tribal Elected Leadership and DOE Senior Program Leadership (Assistant Secretaries, Directors and Administrators) on:

Nuclear: Defense-Waste, Waste Legacy, Revitalization (DOE Offices of Nuclear Energy, Environmental Management, Legacy Management, and National Nuclear Security Administration)

- *Environmental Management*, Assistant Secretary Ines Triay
National Nuclear Security Administration Principal Assistant
Deputy Administrator Phil Calbos
- *Nuclear Energy*, Assistant Secretary Pete Lyons Office of Legacy
Management, Director Dave Geiser

Education, Contracting, Business Development, (DOE Offices of Science and Economic and Diversity Impact)

- Economic Impact & Diversity, Director Bill Valdez
- Office of Management, Director Ingrid Kolb
- Office of Science, Deputy Director Pat Dehmer

Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (DOE Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy)

- EERE Acting Assistant Secretary Henry Kelly

- Weatherization Program Director LeAnn Oliver

Transmission, Electrical Infrastructure, Reliability (Bonneville Power Administration, Western Area Power Administration, and Office of Electricity)

- Office of Electricity
- WAPA Administrator Timothy Meeks
- Bonneville Administrator Steve Wright

10:00-12:00 Open Roundtable Discussion with Tribal Leaders, Tribal Organizations, and Alaska Native and Tribal Corporations (DOE Office of Indian Energy & Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs)

- Office of Indian Energy, Director Tracey A. LeBeau
- Office of Indian Energy, Deputy Director Pilar Thomas
- Intergovernmental & External Affairs, Deputy Assistant Secretary Clyde Henderson
- Intergovernmental & External Affairs, Tribal & Intergovernmental Affairs Director David Conrad

12:00-4:00 Tribe-to-Tribe Dialogue (No planned DOE events; Tribes have opportunity to talk amongst themselves) - Limited Rooms Available/TBA

6:00 - 9:00 Reception Program for Registered Summit Attendees and Invited Guests Off-site
Location: National Museum of the American Indian

THURSDAY MAY 5, 2011

DOE TRIBAL Summit (Open to press)

Morning Session:

9:00-9:15 Welcome and Introductions, Invocation

9:15-10:00 Remarks by Secretary Steven Chu Tribal Leadership - Question and Answer Session :A mix of questions to be submitted in writing, online as well as in person

10:00-10:45 Remarks by Administration & Congressional Leaders, Host: Secretary of Energy Steven Chu

- White House Deputy Assistant to the President for Energy and Climate Change, Heather Zichal
- White House Special Advisor on Native American Affairs, Kimberly Teehee

- Department of Interior Secretary Salazar
- Department of Agriculture Secretary Vilsack, invited
- EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson
- Congressional Leadership

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11:00-12:15 Tribal Leader Panel: Environment and Energy Tribal Leaders from across the country will discuss the various energy projects they are developing, and their experiences in working with the Department on energy and environmental issues.

12:30-1:30 Lunch Program: Guest Speakers

Afternoon Session:

1:45 - 3:00 Interagency Panel: Federal Opportunities in Indian Country Policy leaders from various federal agencies will discuss the type of energy development programs available to tribes and tribal organizations, as well as opportunities to coordinate federal efforts to support energy development in Indian Country.

- Department of Interior
- Department of Commerce
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Department of Agriculture
- Housing & Urban Development

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3:15-4:15 DOE Programs Leadership Panel: DOE Opportunities and Obstacles Leadership from various DOE offices will present on the pre-Summit roundtables held with tribal leadership and discuss potential opportunities and initiatives for working with Indian Country on energy development and energy environmental efforts. DOE Offices Leadership Represented:

- Indian Energy, Science, Economic and Diversity Impact
- Nuclear Energy, Environmental Management, Legacy Management, National Nuclear Security Administration
- Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy,
- Electricity and the Bonneville Power Administration and Western Area Power Administration

4:15-4:30 Closing Remarks by Secretary Chu