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2008 - 2010 Ultra-Deepwater Advisory Committee Member Appointment Process

August 2005 Energy Policy Act of 2005 signed into law [P.L. 109-58, 119 Stat. 922]

November 2005 National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL) released solicitation for a

consortium to administer 3 program elements under Section 999A

February 2006 Proposals received for program consortium solicitations

May 2006 Ultra-Deepwater Advisory Committee (UDAC) and Unconventional Resources

Technology Advisory Committee (URTAC) chartered (Section 999D)

June 2006 Program consortium selected

January 2007 Contract with Research to Secure Energy for America (RPSEA) as the Program

consortium goes into effect (calendar year contract)

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May 2007	UDAC and URTAC members appointed for 2007-2008
June-July 2007	Advisory Committees meet to review 2007 Annual Plan and deliver written recommendations to the Secretary of Energy
August 2007	2007 Annual Plan published; DOE/Fossil Energy (FE) receives FY07 funds; RPSEA receives initial research funding
October 2007	Program consortium releases initial request for proposals for the Small Producer Program Element and for the Unconventional Natural Gas and Other Petroleum Resources Program Element
November 2007	NETL Complementary Research Program receives initial funding
November 2007	Program consortium releases initial request for proposals for the Ultra- Deepwater Program Element

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January 2008	Advisory Committees meet to review 2008 Annual Plan
February 2008	2007 Annual Plan transmitted to Congress
February 2008	Program consortium selects 7 projects for Small Producer Program Element
March 2008	Advisory Committees meet to complete review of 2008 Annual Plan and provide written recommendations; final report delivered to the Secretary
March 2008	Program consortium selects 19 projects for the Unconventional Natural Gas and Other Petroleum Resources Program Element
June 2008	Technical Committee [Section 999H(d)(4)] determines that the NETL Complementary Research Program is not duplicative of the consortium-administered program
June 2008	Fieldwork for audit completed

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July 2008 Advisory Committees renewal charters signed

July 2008 Program consortium announces additional selections of 9 projects for Ultra-

Deepwater Program Element

August 2008 2008 Annual Plan transmitted to Congress and published in the Federal

Register

August 2008 DOE/FE receives FY08 funds

August 2008 Audit report received by DOE & GAO

August 2008 UDAC & URTAC members appointed for 2008-2010

September 2008 UDAC & URTAC meet to begin draft review of <u>Draft 2009 Annual Plan</u>

October 2008 UDAC & URTAC meet to hear and discuss Subcommittee reports, determine

final recommendations, and adjourn work on the <u>Draft 2009 Annual Plan</u>