## U.S. Department of Commerce Civil Nuclear Trade Advisory Committee (CINTAC) Meeting

Sixth Charter, 2018-2020 Wednesday, August 14, 2019, 9:00am - 4:00pm EDT

### **MINUTES**

#### 9:00 – 9:05 Welcome and Introductions

Jonathan Chesebro & Devin Horne, Designated Federal Officers of the CINTAC, U.S. Department of Commerce

# 9:05 – 9:15 Agenda Overview, Goals, and Desired Outcomes

Chris Colbert, CINTAC Chair, and Jeff Harper, CINTAC Vice Chair

## 9:15 – 10:00 **TeamUSA Updates**

Interagency updates on current priorities including regional initiatives, IAEA General Conference, IFNEC, financing, etc.

- State Department:
  - Nuclear Cooperation Memoranda of Understanding (NCMOUs) are in discussion.
     Industry should communicate market opportunities for NCMOUs.
- Department of Energy (DOE), Office of Nuclear Energy:
  - o New Assistant Secretary for Office of Nuclear Energy Dr. Rita Baranwal.
  - O Noted DOE's work to organize International Framework for Nuclear Energy (IFNEC) Ministerial Conference (November 12-14, 2019 in Washington, DC), that Assistant Secretary Baranwal is planning to attend the U.S. Nuclear Infrastructure Council (USNIC) Industry Energy Delegation to the Africa Nuclear Business Platform (October 15-16, 2019 in Nairobi, Kenya), and highlighted other upcoming opportunities for U.S. industry.
  - o Gave update on DOE's Millennial Nuclear Caucus events.
- National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA):
  - o Provided overview and update on DOE's Part 810 regulations.
  - Discussion of Federal Register notice adding China General Nuclear Power Group to entity list (published August 14, 2019).
- Department of Energy, Office of International Affairs:
  - o Provided update on efforts to unbundle U.S. government financing.
- Department of Commerce:
  - Provided overview ITA's International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) U.S.
     Industry Program (September 15-18, 2019 in Vienna, Austria) and noted that event is at capacity.
  - o Provided update on 2019 Civil Nuclear Top Markets Report.

#### **10:00 – 11:00** Finance Panel 1

Panelist presentations followed by Q&A with CINTAC members

- U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) Paul Marin:
  - o Provided overview of USTDA programs, grant funding process, and reverse trade missions. Noted how industry can collaborate with USTDA.
- U.S. Agency for International Development, Power Africa Raul Flores:
  - o Provided overview of Power Africa program, noted how Power Africa decides on priority for projects, and noted its efforts to engage with African stakeholders.
- U.S. Agency for International Development, Development Credit Authority Andrew Gisselquist:
  - o Provided overview of USAID loans and financing structures, discussed the new U.S. Development Finance Corporation (USDFC) and civil nuclear policy.
  - o Discussion on how establishment of USDFC may change specific policies and process of working with the agency.

### 11:00 – 11:15 Break

## 11:15 – 12:15 Finance Panel 2

Panelist presentations followed by Q& A with CINTAC members

- Export-Import Bank of the United States (EXIM) Ashok Pasricha:
  - o Gave overview of EXIM financing capabilities, programs, and challenges, and clarified EXIM's U.S. export content requirements.
- U.S. Department of Energy, Loan Program Office (LPO):
  - o Gave overview of LPO purpose, criteria for funding projects, its phase-approach to project approval, and clarified LPO project guidelines.
- U.S. Department of Energy, Office of International Affairs:
  - o Gave overview of the current state of the U.S. civil nuclear industry abroad and global competition.
- Murphy Energy & Infrastructure Consulting, LLC (Paul Murphy)
  - Gave overview of trends in global NPP export markets and challenges the U.S. industry faces.
  - o Noted considerations on how industry and U.S. government can effectively cooperate to compete with state-owned entities.

### 12:15 – 1:15 Working Lunch: Subcommittee breakout sessions

In line with subcommittee charters, subcommittees identify priorities, refine recommendations, and identify next steps

## 1:15 – 1:45 Subcommittee Report Out

Subcommittees reconvene and report out on desired next steps

- Market & Finance David Blee, Chair
  - o Issue brief on EXIM Reauthorization will be completed later, call to be scheduled for further discussion.
  - o Issue brief of USDFC is completed based on information currently available.
  - 5 Year Strategy for U.S. Government on Civil Nuclear will be presented at next CINTAC meeting.
- International Engagements Ralph Hunter, Chair
  - Commitment to engaging with TeamUSA, the Advocacy Center, and DOE's Office of International Affairs has been finalized.
  - o Recommendations created for U.S. target markets for trade missions.
  - o Organizing trade mission to Romania in progress.
  - o Possibility of trade mission to Africa raised.
- Infrastructure Larry Sanders, Chair
  - Three action items will be narrowed down when Subcommittee Chairman returns to CINTAC meetings.
- Regulation & Policy Chuck Goodnight, Chair
  - Discussion in progress about creating Risk-Based Framework for Export Authorizations.
  - o Discussion in progress on TeamUSA regulatory education toolkit.
- Communications Matrix Seth Grae
  - o Finalized Message Platform distributed.
  - o Op-Ed and Policy Brief to be prioritized at a later CINTAC meeting.

#### 1:45 – 2:15 Conversation with White House

Landon Derentz, Director for Energy, National Security Council Mike Goff, Senior Advisor, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President

- Provided overview of opportunities for industry input into the President's U.S. Nuclear Fuel Working Group and noted the Administration's priority to reinvigorate the U.S. civil nuclear industry via exports.
- Noted that Idaho National Lab announced today the establishment of the National Reactor Innovation Center.
- Discussion of Administration priorities for nuclear energy.

### 2:15 – 2:30 Prep for Discussion with Commerce Leadership

## 2:30 – 3:00 Update from Commerce Leadership

Jim Sullivan, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Services performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Industry & Analysis

- Mr. Sullivan highlighted ITA activities to support the U.S. civil nuclear industry, and highlighted ITA's upcoming IAEA U.S. Industry Program trade mission.
- Group discussion on Overseas Private Investment Corporation and U.S. Development Finance Corporation policy regarding support for civil nuclear energy.
- Discussion of IAEA U.S. Industry Program procedures, including ways to make foreign delegation meetings with U.S. industry more effective.
- Industry noted the importance of the African market and the need for the USG to highlight this during the IAEA U.S. Industry Program.

### 3:00 – 3:30 Review Recommendations

Full committee reviews and approves draft recommendations

Committee reviewed potential future recommendations, DFOs provided overview of how
to respond to Civil Nuclear Review and the process for raising issues with the
Department of Commerce.

## 3:30 – 4:00 Public Comment & Adjourn

- Comment on the value of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in supporting human resources development.
- Comment on the civil nuclear environment and civil nuclear priorities.

## **Meeting Attendees**

## **CINTAC Members**

- Art Wharton Vice President, Market Development, Studsvik Scandpower Inc.
- Beverly Marshall Vice President, Governmental Affairs, Nuclear Energy Institute
- Brandon Brooks Strategic Development Manager, General Atomics
- Charles Goodnight President, Goodnight Consulting
- Christopher Colbert Chief Strategy Officer, NuScale Power
- Colin Austin Senior Vice President of International Business, EnergySolutions
- Colleen Deegan Vice President, Bechtel Corporation
- David Blee President & CEO, United States Nuclear Industry Council
- David Sledzik Senior Vice President, Sales & Commercial Operations, Nuclear Plant Projects, GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy
- Donald Hoffman President & CEO, EXCEL Services Corporation
- Gary Wolski Vice President, Nuclear Division, Curtiss-Wright
- Glenn Neises Nuclear Director, Burns & McDonnell
- Graham Cable Vice President, Global Growth & Strategy, Westinghouse Electric Company
- H.M Hashemian President, Analysis and Measurement Services Corporation
- Jarret Adams CEO, Full On Communications
- Jay Brister Vice President, Business Development, AECOM
- Jeffrey Harper Vice President, Strategy and Business Development, X Energy, LLC
- John Bendo Business Development Manager, Power & Energy, ASME
- Joseph Miller Director, Advanced Technology Programs, BWX Technologies, Inc.
- Juan Subiry Vice President, Market and Product Strategy, NAC International
- Kenneth L. Peddicord Director, Nuclear Power Institute, Texas A&M University
- Margaret Harding Principal, 4 Factor Consulting
- Michael Whitehurst Director, Business Development, Centrus Energy Corp.
- Mimi Limbach Managing Partner and President, Potomac Communications Group
- Neil Numark President, NUMARK Associates
- Pete Gaillard Licensing Manager, Terrapower, LLC
- Ralph Hunter Vice President, Exelon Corporation
- Robert Coward, Immediate Past President, American Nuclear Society
- Robert Kalantari President and CEO, Engineering, Planning and Management
- Robert Sweeney, President & CEO, IBEX Engineering Services, Inc.
- Russell Neely Chief Operating Officer, Edlow International Company
- Woody Lawman Director of Sales, Navy and Nuclear Products, Flowserve Limitorque

## Members of Public

- James Fornof, Vice President, Lightbridge Corporation
- Elizabeth Smiroldo, Consultant, Export Controls
- Carol Berrigan, Director, Federal Affairs, Nuclear Energy Institute
- Paul Murphy, Murphy Energy & Infrastructure Consulting

• Andrew Paterson, Principal – Energy, Environmental Business International

## U.S. Government

- Department of Commerce
  - o Jim Sullivan, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Services performing the nonexclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Industry & Analysis
  - Devin Horne, Civil Nuclear Trade Specialist & CINTAC Co-Designated Federal Officer, International Trade Administration (ITA)
  - Jonathan Chesebro, Senior Nuclear Trade Specialist & CINTAC Co-Designated Federal Officer, ITA
  - o Patrick Saumell, Intern, ITA, Office of Energy & Environmental Industries
- Department of Defense
  - Simon Davidson-Hood, Policy Directorate (Negotiations and Liaison), Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, Defense Technology Security Administration
- Nuclear Regulatory Commission
  - o Pete Habighorst, Export Control and Nonproliferation Branch Chief
- Department of Energy
  - o Michelle Scott, Senior Advisor, Office of Nuclear Energy
  - o Kyle Nicholas, Office of International Affairs
  - o Vince Trovato, Office of International Affairs
  - o Sydney Schneir, External Affairs Program Manager, Loan Program Office
  - o Markus Popa, Engineer, Loan Program Office
  - o Tom Pollog, Engineer, Loan Program Office
- Department of State
  - Kirsten Cutler, Senior Science Advisor, Office of Nuclear Energy, Safety and Security, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation
  - o Dr. Alex Burkart, Senior Level Advisor for Nuclear Energy, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation
- Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP)
  - o Dr. Mike Goff, Assistant Director for Nuclear Energy and Senior Policy Advisor
- National Security Council
  - o Landon Derentz, Director for Energy
- Export-Import Bank of the United States
  - Ashok Pasricha, Managing Director-Technical, Acting Deputy Vice President Engineering and Environment Division
- U.S. Agency for International Development
  - o Raul Flores, Interagency Team Lead & Private Enterprise Officer, Power Africa
  - Andrew Gisselquist, Power and Infrastructure Investment Officer, USAID Development Credit Authority
- U.S. Trade and Development Agency
  - Paul Marin, Director, Public Affairs (Acting), Director, Partnership and Innovation