

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

CHARTER

ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY AND HEALTH WORKER ADVOCACY  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1. Committee's Official Designation:

Worker Advocacy Advisory Committee (WAAC)

2. Committee's Objectives and Scope of Activities and Duties:

The activities of the Environment, Safety and Health Worker Advocacy Advisory Committee include:

- a. Advice on worker compensation policy issues of concern to the Department of Energy.
- b. Periodic reviews of Worker Advocacy Program initiatives and recommendations based thereon.
- c. Advice on plans, priorities, and strategies to improve the advocacy practices and procedures of the Worker Advocacy Program.
- d. Advice on national policy and worker compensation issues of concern to the Department of Energy as requested by the Secretary or the Assistant Secretary of the Office of Environment, Safety and Health.

3. Time Period Necessary for the Committee to Carry Out the Purpose:

In view of the goals and purposes of the Committee, it is expected to be functional for two years.

4. Official to Whom this Committee Reports:

The Committee will report to the Assistant Secretary for Environment, Safety and Health.

5. Agency Responsible for Providing Necessary Support for this Committee:

The Department of Energy will provide all necessary support for this Committee. Within the Department, primary support shall be furnished by the Office of Environment, Safety and Health.

6. Description of Duties for Which the Committee is Responsible:

The duties of the committee are solely advisory and are stated in paragraph 2 above.

7. Estimated Annual Operating Costs in Dollars and Person-Years:

The Department of Energy will provide resources sufficient to conduct its business, as well as travel and subsistence (per diem) expenses for eligible members. The estimated costs are \$300,000 per year and approximately 1.5 person-years of full-time staff support.

8. Estimated Number and Frequency of Meetings:

The Committee will meet periodically, approximately three times a year.

9. Committee's Termination Date (if less than Two Years from Date of Establishment or Renewal):

Not Applicable.

10. Subcommittee(s):

To facilitate the functioning of the Environment, Safety and Health Worker Advocacy Advisory Committee, subcommittees may be formed. The objective of the subcommittees is to make recommendations to the parent committee with respect to particular matters related to the responsibilities of the parent committee.

11. Members:

- a. Committee members shall be appointed by the Secretary of Energy.
- b. Approximate number of committee members: 15

12. Chairperson:

The Chairperson shall be appointed by the Secretary of Energy.

This Charter for the Advisory Committee named above is hereby approved on:

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Date

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James N. Solit  
Advisory Committee Management Officer  
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Date Filed