

On Thu, May 18, 2017  
at 2:07 PM, Kohler,  
Veronika  
<[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)>  
wrote:

What do you think about the attached 3 changes. I also don't see a major option that I thought had been discussed which was continue with additional validation request.

These were the options I heard but realize that my 2 is your 2 but I just forgot what the letter was going to say.

1. Voluntary suspension-letter approved by MSG asking for voluntary suspension and identifying how we will continue to be transparent during the suspension. (historically used due to political instability)
2. USEITI moves forward with Letter to the board to reaffirming government commitment and identifying new MSG structure necessary for success (presidential or congressional MSG set up)
3. USEITI moves

forward with  
mainstreaming  
highlighting  
current  
successes

4. USEITI moves forward with an additional adapted implementation request (taxes and subnational)
5. Withdrawal letter from USG highlighting success, progress made and what will continue.

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**Subject:** USEITI co-chairs meeting summary

All,  
I've attached a summary of key discussions from last week's co-chairs meeting. As you'll see, the focus of the summary is on options and next steps. Please let me know if I've missed or misrepresented anything crucial for our path forward that was discussed.

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yes thank you Tushar!

On Mon, Jun 12, 2017 at 10:08 AM, Gould, Greg <[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)> wrote:  
Thanks Tushar!

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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On Mon, Jun 12, 2017 at 7:57 AM, Tushar Kansal <[tkansal@cbuilding.org](mailto:tkansal@cbuilding.org)> wrote:

All,

Please find attached the summary from the co-chairs meeting. This version has been updated to reflect Danielle's correction from the end of last week.

Best,  
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On Fri, Jun 9, 2017 at 3:46 PM, Gould, Greg <[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)> wrote:  
Tushar,

Can you make the changes Danielle has requested and then send it back to all of us for our records. Note that I have no comments on the summary.

Thanks,

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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On Fri, Jun 9, 2017 at 1:35 PM, Danielle Brian <[dbrian@pogo.org](mailto:dbrian@pogo.org)> wrote:

Hi all I'm finally fully back at work. My (b) (6)

Thank you so much for your patience and notes of support.

Turning back to work, I realize I signed off on this draft already, but I'm not sure if Greg has yet, so I'm hoping to get a chance to make a correction to this doc before it is finalized. I realize the one sentence quoting my intentions is inaccurate so I'm asking your permission to update just that one sentence: Currently it reads:

CSO sector representatives suggested that including some indication as to *why* the US is withdrawing from EITI could reduce some of the criticism that may be leveled against USEITI and against the US government for a decision to withdraw.

But that is not accurate. Avoiding criticism is not the reason I was pushing to include the reasons for withdrawing in the letter from the govt. The reason I think it is

important to make clear why the US is unable to meet the Intl EITI standards is so that the public understands what we have and have not accomplished and why, and so that other countries that are trying to implement EITI do not assume they will have the same struggles we had.

On Tue, May 30, 2017 at 3:24 PM, Tushar Kansal <[tkansal@cbuilding.org](mailto:tkansal@cbuilding.org)> wrote:

Hi All,

I've attached a revised version of the meeting summary in accordance with Jonas' comments. Please let me know if you have any additional concerns.

Best,  
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On Fri, May 26, 2017 at 3:09 PM, Greg Gould <[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)> wrote:

As I remember it, Jonas said a short brief letter would be best. If CSO's wanted to recommend some txt, then keep it to some short bullets, but best to not say much.

Greg

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On May 26, 2017, at 1:04 PM, Danielle Brian <[dbrian@pogo.org](mailto:dbrian@pogo.org)> wrote:

My memory is that Jonas said the opposite: that in fact it was important to have very short bullets explaining why the US is choosing to withdraw but that the language should not be extensive.

On Fri, May 26, 2017 at 2:56 PM, Shime, Veronika  
<[vshime@nma.org](mailto:vshime@nma.org)> wrote:

Hi,

I am not sure what to say because this is turning out to be much more difficult than I thought it should be. I have not read the entire summary but jumped to the option 4 hoping it would just reflect what happened. I do not believe however we are there. To simplify I have made some suggestions below. By the way, industry never commented on this. We never said anything on if we thought it was a good idea or bad. The most vocal were the secretariat strongly advising against the bulleted explanation and CSO feeling strongly to include it and offering to supply GOV with suggestions.

The EITI Secretariat indicated that EITI would not need the letter to articulate why the US Government is making this decision and actually strongly advised that the letter not include a reasoning for withdrawal but focus on our accomplishments and what will continue. CSO sector representatives felt that including some indication as to *why* the US is withdrawing from EITI could reduce some of the criticism that may be leveled against USEITI and against the US government for a decision to withdraw the EITI secretariat disagreed. ~~Other meeting participants, including representatives from the EITI International Secretariat, the government sector, and the industry sector cautioned against including explanatory language about the decision to withdraw, suggesting that it would likely be very difficult to craft language that all three USEITI sectors could agree on. Instead, these participants suggested keeping the letter relatively brief and focused on citing the DOI Inspector General's report and highlighting USEITI's record of accomplishments.~~

Happy to read the rest later, but need to run to a meeting now and may not get to it until this weekend. If nothing else in the summary has changed then I am fine with approving it with the changes above.

veronika

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**Subject:** Re: USEITI co-chairs meeting summary

Hi All,  
Revised version attached. Please let me know if any additional concerns.

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On Wed, May 24, 2017 at 11:07 AM, Shime, Veronika <[vshime@nma.org](mailto:vshime@nma.org)> wrote:

I think this is unbalanced. My suggestions were by no means sector driven. I was not asking for something to be included that the industry sector is going to push for or not. My suggestions were caring about this process and ensuring the language does



not come off differently as intended thereby hurting USEITI. Danielle's comment was purely CSO sector driven . CSO want GOV to put an explanation in the letter and don't feel that the inclusion is quite appropriate but definitely not as written. If you are going to include what one sector wants and is going to push for then at lease be more clear that the EITI Secretariat strongly advised against it. They did not just say that we don't need to include a reason why, but strongly opposed it for many reasons.

I am ok with keeping Danielle's request in, but then two things should be clarified. 1 - that it was the CSO sector.....not "some participants" and 2 - that upon hearing that the International Secretariat strong advised against it. The International Secretariat said many times that the letter should not include the bullets about why US is withdrawing but remain high level and positive.

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All,  
I've attempted to respond to both Veronika's concerns (indicating who raised which options and explicitly incorporating language around "mainstreaming" as part of Option #3) and Danielle's concerns (incorporating language around suggestions that were made that the withdrawal letter provide some explanation and rationale for the decision).

Please let me know if you have any additional questions or concerns. If so, I would be happy to schedule a call to discuss further.

Danielle, thanks for the update about your (b) (6) I hope that he is comfortable, and my thoughts are with you during this difficult time.

Best,  
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On Mon, May 22, 2017 at 11:26 PM, Tushar Kansal <[tkansal@cbuilding.org](mailto:tkansal@cbuilding.org)> wrote:

All,  
I'll take care of this tomorrow (Tuesday) morning.

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On Mon, May 22, 2017 at 3:15 PM, Gould, Greg  
<[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)> wrote:

Thanks Danielle. I'm not sure how productive it would be to state why we are withdrawing. I feel best to say we have done our best and it is now time to move on.

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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On Mon, May 22, 2017 at 12:41 PM, Danielle Brian  
<[dbrian@pogo.org](mailto:dbrian@pogo.org)> wrote:

My only hesitation is that I thought Greg that in addition to highlighting the accomplishments of USEITI that you were open to considering whether to in the briefest way possible acknowledge the reasons the US is withdrawing? Is that wrong? It seems odd to me that the option is to say we are withdrawing but not saying why. I understand that is the purview of the government to decide, just want clarity for these minutes.

On Mon, May 22, 2017 at 11:48 AM, Pat Field  
<[pfield@cbuilding.org](mailto:pfield@cbuilding.org)> wrote:

All

One more after the one I just sent. If we need a call, let me know and we'll schedule it.

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On May 19, 2017, at 3:38 pm, Tushar Kansal  
<[tkansal@cbuilding.org](mailto:tkansal@cbuilding.org)> wrote:

Hi All,  
Here's my take on Veronika's questions. Please let me know if you see it differently and we might want to have a quick phone call to hash this out:

- Option #3 (*Mainstreaming of USEITI reporting into US government reporting*), as the only option in which USEITI effectively continues in the short term under current rules, would conceivably require adapted

implementation. The way that Sam phrased this, however, is not that the US would need to apply for adapted implementation, but that "mainstreaming is intended to preserve the same comprehensiveness and granularity of reporting as is done under standard EITI reporting." He indicated that the Board would be unlikely to look favorably upon a USEITI move towards mainstreaming while we continue to have discrepancies from the standard (e.g. around corporate income tax reporting). The meeting summary reflects this discussion.

- Option #2 was framed by Sam as something specifically for the US. While it may be true that EITI may have to approach this as a broader issue at some point for other OECD countries, the concern that was expressed during the meeting is that the Board would be discussing Option #2 (a "new path" / deviation from the protocol) specifically in the context of USEITI and that this would open us up to additional criticism at the board level and in the media. The focus on the US was a key part of what made this option unattractive (at least as I understood the discussion).

Best,  
Tushar

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On Fri, May 19, 2017 at 3:25 PM, Kohler, Veronika  
<[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Wait, Which is the option that we discussed would require us seeking additional adapted implementation? I think that needs to be included so that sectors understand what would be necessary. I also think that the phrasing of 2 should not sound so US centric but make it apparent that the board needs to make these decisions not just for the US but this is a broader issue they are going to have to face.

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Thanks Tushar, well done, I'm all set with this write-up, no additional comments.

Greg

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On Fri, May 19, 2017 at 2:44 PM, Tushar Kansal <[tkansal@cbuilding.org](mailto:tkansal@cbuilding.org)> wrote:

All,

I have attached a revised version of the meeting summary that incorporates Veronika's edits and also makes the following slight change to language to acknowledge Danielle's concern about the content of a withdrawal letter: *"The EITI Secretariat indicated that EITI would not need the letter to articulate why the US Government is making this decision."*

With regards to the options discussed at the meeting, I recall the options on the table as being somewhat different than what Greg summarized. My meeting noted document the options as follows:

- 1) Request a temporary, voluntary suspension from EITI (this letter would also reaffirm government commitment to EITI and to identifying new MSG structure necessary for success (presidential or congressional MSG set up))*
- 2) The International EITI Board could create a new path for USEITI to continue under different requirements / protocols*
- 3) Mainstreaming of USEITI reporting into US government reporting*
- 4) Withdrawal of the United States from EITI*

The distinction between my list and Greg's list is particularly around Option #2: *The International EITI Board could create a new path for USEITI to continue under different requirements / protocols*. This was an option that Sam Bartlett presented to us and that we discussed briefly.

Ultimately, of course, the withdrawal option seemed to be the "preferred" one, so the rest of this might be academic.

Please take a look at the attached meeting summary and let me know if there are any additional revisions that you would like to see made.

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On Fri, May 19, 2017 at 11:42 AM, Gould, Greg <[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)> wrote:

Of course, adding her now, please focus on

(b) (6)

Isabel, see below.

Greg

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On Fri, May 19, 2017 at 11:40 AM, Danielle Brian <[dbrian@pogo.org](mailto:dbrian@pogo.org)> wrote:

Can I request including Isabel in this conversation to handle this on behalf of CSO's?

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On May 19, 2017, at 11:33 AM, Gould, Greg <[Greg.Gould@onrr.gov](mailto:Greg.Gould@onrr.gov)> wrote:

I like the option of Tushar

including the 3 options at the top, for us to discuss with our sectors for a final decision on June 22. Do you all agree that option 3 is our preferred option at this point?

Greg

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On Fri, May 19, 2017 at 11:13 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Thank you! So should we send Tushar's updated summary (T, could you resend?) to our people but tell them that the 3 below are what they should decide on? Should Tushar include these three at the top of the summary as the options the cochairs have advised we select from? I just want to make sure we are all on the same page before sending anything out in writing.

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Danielle, so sorry to hear  
about your (b) (6) my  
thoughts and prayers are  
with you and your family.

I want to thank all of you  
for your continued  
attention to making sure  
we are all in agreement  
when we make a final  
decision on June 22. With  
that said, I think we all  
pretty much agreed to 3  
options:

1. USEITI moves  
forward with Letter  
to the board to  
reaffirming  
government  
commitment and  
identifying new MSG  
structure necessary  
for success  
(presidential or  
congressional MSG  
set up).
2. USEITI moves  
forward with  
mainstreaming  
highlighting current  
successes, and  
applying for adapted  
implementation  
related to tax  
reporting,  
subnational, and  
beneficial  
ownership.
3. Withdrawal letter  
from USG, possibly  
highlighting success,  
progress made, and  
that we will continue  
to publish non-tax  
revenue data at the  
lowest level allowed  
by law and  
regulation on the US  
Data Portal, which  
has become an  
international best  
practice for data  
dissemination.

Option 3 was discussed as the preferred option.

Thanks,

Greg

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On Thu, May 18, 2017 at 5:59 PM, Tushar Kansal <[tkansal@cbuilding.org](mailto:tkansal@cbuilding.org)> wrote:

Thanks for your comments, Veronika and Judy.

I too don't recall an "additional validation request" being discussed, Veronika, but based I also don't see that same language of "additional validation request" in the five options that you sent. Did you perhaps mean to type "additional adapted implementation request" (your option #4)?

With regards to #4, I agree that was discussed, but my memory is similar to Judy's: I don't remember

that being discussed as a stand-alone option. If I understand correctly what you've written, your option #4 would involve USEITI continuing in the same way that we did in 2016, with the MSG continuing to meet 3-4 times per year, etc. I don't recall this being discussed as an option.

Finally, your line edits mostly look good. I only wonder about your suggested deletion of the phrase "and forego independent reconciliation of revenue data by the Independent Administrator." I think that it could be useful to keep this language in the text as it helps to make clear how the MSG's decision is a departure from the EITI Standard. If all of you agree that the phrase is too sensitive, however, I am happy to take it out.

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at 2:32 PM, Wilson,  
Judith  
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> wrote:

I don't recall any discussion or option regarding an additional validation request, neither does Greg.

I'm not sure your option 4 was a stand alone option, it was discussed though, maybe as part of option 1.

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What do you think about the attached 3 changes. I also don't see a major option that I thought had been discussed which was continue with additional validation request.

These were the options I heard but realize that my 2 is your 2 but I just forgot what the letter was going to say.

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# **UNITED STATES' IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRIES TRANSPARENCY INITIATIVE**



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Subject: Final Inspection Report – United States' Implementation  
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This memorandum transmits the findings of our inspection of the United States' implementation of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI). Our inspection objective was to determine the status of the U.S. implementation of the EITI standard. We are not making any recommendations in this report but are providing it for information purposes only.

The legislation creating the Office of Inspector General requires that we report to Congress semiannually on all audit, inspection, and evaluation reports issued; actions taken to implement our recommendations; and recommendations that have not been implemented.

If you have any questions concerning this report, please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-208-5745.

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## Results in Brief

The United States (U.S.) has made significant progress meeting the individual requirements necessary to achieve compliant status with the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI). EITI is a global initiative that promotes revenue transparency and accountability for natural resource extraction. The Department of the Interior (DOI) works in collaboration with industry and civil society partners<sup>1</sup> to implement EITI on behalf of the United States.

Our review found that the U.S. has met seven of the eight EITI requirements and partially met one requirement in its effort to achieve EITI compliant status, the highest level of implementation. It has only partially met the revenue collection requirement (Requirement 4) because it has been unable to obtain full disclosure of extractive resource payments from companies, thus preventing the required reconciliation to Government receipts. In addition, the U.S. has encountered challenges as part of its participation in EITI that could prevent it from reaching the goal of compliant status. Should the U.S. not achieve compliant status, its standing in EITI would be diminished.

In spite of the framework laid out in Requirement 4 and the ensuing challenges, the U.S. could still meet this requirement. Through its regular ongoing operations, the U.S. has a system in place that achieves the standard's disclosure and reconciliation requirement, through a process known as mainstreaming. This reporting method may enable the U.S. to meet the EITI reporting and reconciliation mandates without necessarily following the prescriptive language of the standard.

We are not making any recommendations in this report but are providing this document for informational purposes to the Office of Natural Resources Revenue—DOI's EITI representative—and to the members of the U.S. EITI multi-stakeholder group for use as they move forward.

At the close of our field work, senior Government officials disclosed that the U.S. was considering all options associated with the validation process in spite of uncertainties in achieving Requirement 4. We learned that the U.S. is scheduled to undergo validation in April 2018, even though it expects the EITI international board to find that it has made inadequate progress toward validation. If that occurs, the U.S. likely would transition from an implementing country to a country that only supports EITI. The U.S. intends to continue its efforts to disclose revenue and maintain its public website by institutionalizing EITI processes.

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<sup>1</sup> Civil society is defined as community and citizenry involvement. In the U.S., it includes academia, non-governmental organizations, and labor unions.

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# Introduction

## Objective

We conducted this inspection to determine the status of the United States' implementation of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) standard.

Appendix 1 contains the scope and methodology, as well as sites visited.

## Background

EITI is a global initiative that aims to promote revenue transparency and accountability for natural resource extraction (e.g. oil, natural gas, coal, non-energy minerals such as gold, and renewable energy). The initiative grew out of concern about corruption and mismanagement of these resources worldwide. Many EITI participating countries are in developing parts of the world, and the initiative seeks to strengthen these government and company systems. The U.S. Government, however, has long had a management system featuring numerous controls and protections to oversee natural resource extraction, which helps reduce the risk of corruption.

As a leading extractive producer of such natural resources as oil, natural gas, and coal, the U.S. announced its intention to join EITI in September 2011. The Secretary of the Interior serves as the Administration's senior official responsible for EITI implementation. The Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR) within DOI serves as the Government's lead representative on the multi-stakeholder group (MSG). The U.S. has been working toward achieving compliant status, and validation is scheduled to begin in April 2018.

To date, DOI expenditures for EITI have totaled approximately \$6.5 million, of which the Government spent \$2.8 million in fiscal year 2016. The largest expenditures included Government labor and contracts for outside services. Current estimates of expenditures for reconciliation of Government receipts to company payments total \$519,000 per year.

The EITI standard has eight primary requirements and multiple subparts that countries must follow when implementing EITI. A synopsis of the eight EITI standard requirements is detailed in Figure 1 below.

### EITI Standard Requirements

**I: Multi-stakeholder group oversight.** Government, industry, and civil society engagement.

<b>EITI Standard Requirements</b>	
<b>2: Legal and institutional framework.</b>	Disclosure of legal framework and fiscal regime governing extractive industries.
<b>3: Exploration and production.</b>	Disclosure of exploration and production activities, as well as export data.
<b>4: Revenue collection.</b>	Disclosure and reconciliation of company payments and Government revenues.
<b>5: Revenue allocations.</b>	Disclosure of revenue distribution, revenue management, and expenditures.
<b>6: Social and economic spending.</b>	Disclosure of social expenditures and the extractive sector's impact on the economy.
<b>7: Outcomes and impact.</b>	Disclosure of discrepancies identified in EITI reports, as well as lessons learned during implementation.
<b>8: Compliance and deadlines for implementing countries.</b>	Outlines timeframes established by the EITI international board and consequences of noncompliance with the deadlines and requirements for EITI implementation.

Figure 1. A full explanation of EITI requirements is available at <https://eiti.org/eiti-requirements>.

The initiative is implemented by governments, in collaboration with the MSG, which includes industry and civil society, the latter defined as community and citizenry involvement (e.g. academia and non-governmental organizations). In the U.S., MSG formation in 2012 brought together these three sectors for the first time to achieve a common goal. Initially skeptical, MSG members found that genuine cooperation could generate appreciation for differing viewpoints.

EITI has 56 participating countries. Each country that chooses to implement the EITI standard must establish an MSG that oversees implementation. In addition, most countries, including the U.S., create a national secretariat with a full-time staff to administer the program. The EITI international board, headquartered in Oslo, Norway, is the governing body. Countries implementing the standard publish an annual report in which governments publicly disclose payments received from companies obtaining extractive resources, which an independent administrator reconciles with payments disclosed by those companies.

Countries join EITI with the goal of achieving compliance with the EITI standard. To achieve compliant status, a country must go through the EITI validation process. This includes a comprehensive evaluation of the country's progress toward achieving the eight requirements, as determined by the EITI international board. A country must make satisfactory progress on each requirement in the standard in order to achieve compliant status.

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# Results

## Progress in Complying with EITI

The U.S. has been working on EITI implementation since 2011. It has made significant progress meeting the individual requirements necessary to achieve the highest level of EITI implementation, known as compliant status. Based on our analysis, the U.S. has met seven of the eight requirements and partially met Requirement 4, which necessitates that all Government revenue receipts be reported and subjected to reconciliation. Reconciliation involves comparison of Government receipts to company payments, and explains significant discrepancies between the two. This activity is performed by a third party, known as the independent administrator. The Office of Inspector General (OIG) independently assessed the status of DOI's EITI implementation, as shown in Figure 2.<sup>2</sup>

OIG Assessment of DOI EITI Implementation		
Requirement	Status	Comments
I – MSG oversight.	Met	MSG formed, with equal representation by government, industry, and civil society. All required meetings and work products achieved.

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<sup>2</sup> The EITI international board is the body that officially determines whether a country has fulfilled the standard, and sets four categories of progress for assessing a country's compliance with each requirement: satisfactory, meaningful, inadequate, and no progress. Our determination of the status does not directly align with those categories identified in the standard. Our assessment was not intended to mirror the board or duplicate any effort. For simplicity, we established our own categories: met, partially met, and not met.



## OIG Assessment of DOI EITI Implementation

Requirement	Status	Comments
2 – Legal and institutional framework.	Met	<p>Collaborating with the General Services Administration, DOI produced a public website known as the portal, which houses natural resource data along with the electronic version of the annual EITI report. We found that the portal, which went online in December 2015, presents natural resource-related information in a user-friendly format. The international board has recognized the portal as a model for other countries to emulate.</p> <p>Online data portal provides details on allocation of contracts and licenses, with links to Bureau of Land Management and Bureau of Ocean Energy Management websites.</p>
3 – Exploration and production.	Met	Online data portal provides details on fossil fuels, renewable energy, and non-energy minerals, as well as exports of various commodities.
4 – Revenue collection.	Partially Met	Low disclosure of nontax and tax revenues by companies prevent required comprehensive reconciliation of Government revenue receipts to company payments.
5 – Revenue allocations.	Met	Online data portal provides details on all revenue streams, distribution of revenues, and recipients.
6 – Social and economic spending.	Met	Online data portal provides details on extractive sector contributions to the economy.

OIG Assessment of DOI EITI Implementation		
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7 – Outcomes and impact.	Met	<p>Online data portal contains recommendations for addressing reconciliation discrepancies and improving the EITI process.</p> <p>To illustrate extractive industry impacts on local communities, the annual report includes 12 county case studies from across the country, as well as data from 18 states, in an effort to increase public awareness.</p> <p>MSG has actively solicited input from the general public concerning U.S. involvement in EITI. Public interest in EITI is not yet strong, but MSG efforts to obtain outside input and to publish meeting minutes promote EITI's principles of openness and transparency.</p>
8 – Compliance and deadlines for implementing countries.	Met	Deadlines for annual progress reports met, and deadlines for EITI reports surpassed.

Figure 2: OIG's assessment of DOI implementation of EITI requirements.

## Challenges in Complying with EITI Revenue Collection Requirement

DOI faces numerous difficulties in trying to meet Requirement 4. Some are less challenging than others, providing opportunities for solutions, while others may offer no alternative course of action.

### *Voluntary initiative*

The voluntary nature of EITI makes full company participation in nontax and tax revenue disclosures difficult to obtain. Companies are not compelled to report revenue and tax data, and do not see the benefit of participation. Consequently, a significant number have chosen not to participate.

### *U.S. privacy laws*

Section 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C.) provides for the confidentiality of tax returns and return information. It prevents the U.S. Internal

Revenue Service (IRS) from disclosing returns and return information unless the taxpayer authorizes the release or one of several exceptions are met.

#### *Low company participation*

EITI Requirement 4 calls for comprehensive disclosure and reconciliation of company payments and Government revenues from extractive industries. Companies make payments to the U.S., and the payments are considered revenues when collected.

In the U.S., revenues associated with extractive industries consist of two categories—nontax and tax. Nontax revenues are comprised of 11 revenue streams (e.g., royalties, bonuses, rents, inspection and permit fees, and civil penalties), whereas tax revenues represent corporate income tax payments reported to the IRS.

Requirement 4 presents a major challenge for the U.S. because of the numerous companies that operate on Federal lands and large sums of revenue involved. Specifically, more than 3,000 companies paid the Federal Government \$12.64 billion and \$7.80 billion in nontax extractive revenue for the 2015 and 2016 reports, respectively. Since full company participation in the initiative would have been too time consuming and costly to accomplish, the MSG decided to select a manageable sample of companies. This required establishing materiality thresholds, as the standard allows, for company reporting and subsequent reconciliation. The MSG found that a significant and achievable sample of companies could be selected by setting the threshold at \$50 million and \$37.5 million of total annual revenue reported to ONRR by a parent company, including its subsidiaries, for 2015 and 2016. The threshold amount varies yearly due to changes in commodity prices, which in turn affects the amount of payments made to ONRR. For nontax revenues, this reduced the 3,000 company universe to 45 companies for the 2015 annual report, and 41 companies for the 2016 report. For tax revenues, the sample became 41 companies for the 2015 report, and 38 companies for the 2016 report. The number of companies can change from year to year due to factors such as mergers, acquisitions, and bankruptcies.<sup>3</sup>

Unfortunately, a significant number of companies that were asked to participate declined the request, and so the amount of revenues actually reported and reconciled were far less than the 80 percent target (see Figure 3).<sup>4</sup> We determined the U.S. has only partially met Requirement 4. Since the EITI standard requires comprehensive company disclosure, this low level of company participation is of concern as the U.S. seeks validation.

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<sup>3</sup> Companies chosen for participation represent the largest producers of oil, gas, coal, and hard rock in the U.S., including, among others, ExxonMobil Corporation, Chevron Corporation, Shell E&P Company, Arch Coal, Inc., and Peabody Energy Corporation.

<sup>4</sup> Although the target for reconciling tax revenue was all the companies asked to participate in EITI, the U.S. did not report the total amount of tax revenue because companies are not required to disclose this information.

Results From Companies Subject To Reconciliation (Dollars in Billions)				
Report Year	Nontax		Tax	
	Target	Achieved	Target	Achieved
<b>2015</b>				
Number of Companies Disclosed	45	31 (69%)	41	12 (29%)
Number of Companies Reconciled	45	31 (69%)	41	5 (12%)
Revenues Reconciled	\$10.44	\$8.50 (81%)		
<b>2016</b>				
Number of Companies Disclosed	41	25 (61%)	38	12 (32%)
Number of Companies Reconciled	41	25 (61%)	38	7 (18%)
Revenues Reconciled	\$6.11	\$4.83 (79%)		

Figure 3. Information about companies not disclosing their payments. In the tax column, the target for revenues reconciled could not be established and reconciled because most companies did not report tax data. The independent administrator reconciled all of the revenue that companies reported, but the reconciliation did not reflect the target revenues.

#### *Subnational reporting*

The EITI standard requires that MSG establish whether or not direct payments from companies to subnational government entities (states and tribes in the U.S.) are significant.<sup>4</sup> If significant, then disclosure and reconciliation of payments to these entities are included in the EITI report. Given significant practical barriers to collecting data from all 50 states, the MSG focused its efforts on 18 states with the most extractive revenue.

To date, only three of these 18 states have chosen to disclose data about their extractive industries. These three still have not agreed to reconcile company payments to Government receipts. Further, since U.S. law recognizes tribes as

<sup>4</sup> Subnational is defined as below the national Government level—in the U.S. this refers primarily to state and tribal governments.

sovereign nations, they are not bound to participate in EITI, and no tribes have volunteered for this purpose.

Although the U.S. received approval from the EITI international board to deviate from full subnational reporting for past reports, it has no guarantee that this approval will continue in the future. The U.S. EITI MSG endorsed a renewed request to deviate from subnational reporting, which it submitted to the international board in December 2016.

#### *Beneficial ownership*

As of January 2020, the standard requires disclosure of beneficial ownership information in the EITI report. Beneficial ownership refers to individuals who directly or indirectly own or control a corporate entity.

In December 2016, the U.S. published its “roadmap” or plan for meeting the future beneficial ownership disclosure requirement. Collection and disclosure of this information may prove problematic, however, since the U.S. does not have an institutional structure for public disclosure of beneficial ownership, and voluntary participation may produce limited results. For example, DOI does not have any mechanism to collect beneficial ownership information when conducting lease sales related to extractive industry operating rights on U.S. Federal lands or for regulating extractive operations, as well as collecting production related fees and royalties.

#### *Mainstreaming*

Mainstreaming is a mechanism through which countries disclose revenue collection, accounting, and disbursement as part of routine Government operations. It is advantageous for two reasons – first, it highlights countries that make transparency an integral and routine feature of their management systems. Second, countries that achieve mainstreaming do not have to undergo the reconciliation process. To achieve mainstreaming, the U.S. must submit to a rigorous application process, which is subject to approval by the international board.

We found the U.S. is actively pursuing mainstreaming to satisfy Requirement 4 by reporting that it routinely discloses 100 percent of all nontax revenue streams. In addition, the U.S. is preparing a thorough description of its robust audit processes and procedures for the 2017 annual report. Among these are the following—

- ONRR and its State and tribal partners help ensure that companies pay correctly through the use of audits, compliance reviews, data mining, and an enforcement program;
- ONRR accounts for nontax revenues using company-submitted royalty reports—more than 150 up-front automated edits of these reports help detect irregularities;
- Bureau of Land Management and Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement conduct physical inspections of lease operations;

- An independent accounting firm annually audits DOI's financial statements, which include extractive revenue;
- DOI and DOI's bureaus are independently audited by the Office of Inspector General, and IRS receives audit oversight from the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration; and
- IRS verifies tax payments made by companies.

These processes and procedures ensure accountability for 100 percent of natural resource revenues. Accordingly, the U.S. could be in compliance with Requirement 4, even if full reporting and reconciliation from the EITI international board is considered questionable. Although mainstreaming could be a possible solution to demonstrate that the U.S. has complied with Requirement 4, the request has not yet been approved by the international board. Further, it is questionable whether or not the international board would grant such approval. Also, the U.S. still has work left to accomplish in order to develop the contextual narrative of its audit processes and procedures in a manner that fully demonstrates compliance with Requirement 4.

At the close of our field work, Government senior officials disclosed that the U.S. is considering all options regarding validation. It expects to produce its third annual report in December 2017 and undergo validation in April 2018. Although it has met 7 out of 8 requirements it expects not to be found in compliance with the EITI standard until companies follow through on EITI reporting requirements outlined in Requirement 4. Instead, the U.S. will move from being an implementing country to only a supporting country of EITI. Nevertheless, the U.S. intends to continue its efforts to disclose revenue and maintain the online data portal, thus institutionalizing EITI processes.

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# Appendix I: Scope and Methodology

## Scope

Our inspection examined the activities of the United States' implementation of the Extractive Industry Transparency Initiative (EITI) since 2011.

## Methodology

We conducted this review from June 2016 through March 2017. During our inspection, we—

- reviewed relevant laws, regulations, policies and procedures concerning U.S. EITI implementation;
- reviewed and analyzed data and documents, both hardcopy and electronic;
- reviewed the EITI standard and requirements;
- attended two multi-stakeholder group meetings;
- interviewed representatives from the EITI international board's secretariat and U.S. Department of State;
- interviewed key members of Government, industry, and civil society sectors;
- interviewed the Director of the Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR) and key agency staff with EITI responsibilities; and
- interviewed key representatives from the independent administrator, Deloitte Touche, LLP.

We visited—

- ONRR offices in Washington, D.C., and Lakewood, CO; and
- Deloitte Touche, LLP, in Arlington, VA.

We did not test operation and reliability of internal controls related to U.S. EITI. We were provided with computer-generated data related to EITI expenditures, which we used but did not test for completeness and accuracy.

We conducted this inspection in accordance with the Quality Standards for Inspection and Evaluation as put forth by the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency. We believe that the work performed provides a reasonable basis for our conclusion.

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**From:** Greg Gould <[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)>  
**Sent:** Mon May 15 2017 13:41:41 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** "Kohler, Veronika" <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: RE: RE: Re:

Not yet, when I get to my D.C. Office in the morning I'll check with them.

*Gregory J. Gould*

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On May 15, 2017, at 11:54 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Thank you!! do you have an idea of timing?

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**From:** Greg Gould [<mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov>]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 15, 2017 11:52 AM  
**To:** Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)>  
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Can you tell me ASAP when the report goes live and send me a link

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**From:** Greg Gould [<mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 11, 2017 7:52 PM  
**To:** Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)>  
**Subject:** Re:

Agreed, I too do not agree with that assessment, we all went into this know the constraints.

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On May 11, 2017, at 4:44 PM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

I am going to be very upset if this is blamed on industry and ultimately we only lose for participating these years.

Veronika Kohler Shime  
Vice President, International Policy  
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**Sent:** Thu Apr 06 2017 11:44:35 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** barbara.brohl@state.co.us  
**CC:** Chris Mentasti <chris.mentasti@onrr.gov>, Mia Steinle <msteinle@pogo.org>, Danielle Brian <dbrian@pogo.org>, Greg Gould <Greg.Gould@onrr.gov>  
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**Sent:** Thu Apr 06 2017 20:24:55 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
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**To:** <VKohler@nma.org>

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**From:** Greg Gould <[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)>  
**Sent:** Sat Apr 08 2017 06:39:45 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** Danielle Brian <[dbrian@pogo.org](mailto:dbrian@pogo.org)>  
**CC:** Veronika Kohler <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: Collaboration with the Department of the Interior, Office of Natural Resources Revenue.

No new efforts until we all agree on a path forward, just continuing our ongoing efforts.

Thanks,

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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On Apr 7, 2017, at 4:03 PM, Danielle Brian <[dbrian@pogo.org](mailto:dbrian@pogo.org)> wrote:

?? You were tasked? So am I starting up the subcommittee again? Are we seeking to get states to opt-in?

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On Apr 7, 2017, at 10:29 AM, Greg Gould <[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)> wrote:

I was tasked with this due to my relationship with that office.

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On Apr 7, 2017, at 8:13 AM, Danielle Brian <[dbrian@pogo.org](mailto:dbrian@pogo.org)> wrote:

why wasn't I tasked as chair of that subcommittee to pursue? I wasn't given any contact info

On Fri, Apr 7, 2017 at 10:06 AM, Gould, Greg  
<[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)> wrote:

I'm not sure what you mean by left field, I reached out to Colorado and they responded several months ago. We all talked and said we would continue to work with the state, this is a continuation of that work.

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On Thu, Apr 6, 2017 at 10:24 PM, Danielle Brian  
<[dbrian@pogo.org](mailto:dbrian@pogo.org)> wrote:

Greg- I very much want to honor your insistence that we are still operational but this is completely out of left field. You told me to cancel subcommittee work because there was no point in trying to get more States or Tribes opted in. But now I'm copied on Judy doing this work instead?

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<[judith.wilson@onrr.gov](mailto:judith.wilson@onrr.gov)>  
**Subject:** Collaboration with the Department of the Interior, Office of Natural Resources Revenue.  
**Date:** April 6, 2017 at 1:44:35 PM EDT  
**To:** <[barbara.brohl@state.co.us](mailto:barbara.brohl@state.co.us)>  
**Cc:** Chris Mentasti  
<[chris.mentasti@onrr.gov](mailto:chris.mentasti@onrr.gov)>, Mia Steinle  
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**Sent:** Wed May 10 2017 08:39:42 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** Greg Gould <Greg.Gould@onrr.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Collaboration with the Department of the Interior, Office of Natural Resources Revenue.

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**From:** Danielle Brian <[dbrian@pogo.org](mailto:dbrian@pogo.org)>  
**Sent:** Mon May 08 2017 15:53:48 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** Greg Gould <[Greg.Gould@onrr.gov](mailto:Greg.Gould@onrr.gov)>, Veronika Kohler <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)>  
**Subject:** Is this us?

<http://www.cnn.com/2017/05/08/politics/interior-department-ryan-zinke-science/index.html>

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**Sent:** Mon May 08 2017 17:44:58 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** Danielle Brian <[dbrian@pogo.org](mailto:dbrian@pogo.org)>  
**CC:** Veronika Kohler <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: Is this us?

It includes us as well as every other FACA that is operating at DOI. As I have been saying, postponing the meetings was part of a much broader review, it wasn't focused on USEITI. We can talk more on Thursday. On a related note, I hope to have the final OIG Investigative Report to talk about on Thursday as well.

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On Mon, May 8, 2017 at 3:53 PM, Danielle Brian <[dbrian@pogo.org](mailto:dbrian@pogo.org)> wrote:

<http://www.cnn.com/2017/05/08/politics/interior-department-ryan-zinke-science/index.html>

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## Jonas Moberg <JMoberg@eiti.org>

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**From:** Jonas Moberg <JMoberg@eiti.org>  
**Sent:** Mon Apr 03 2017 02:48:46 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
"Daniel Kaufmann (dkaufmann@resourcegovernance.org)"  
<dkaufmann@resourcegovernance.org>, "dbrian@pogo.org"  
<dbrian@pogo.org>, Isabel Munilla <Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org>,  
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**To:** <Johanna.Nesseth@chevron.com>, "Gould, Greg"  
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(WarlickMB@state.gov)" <WarlickMB@state.gov>, "Kohler,  
Veronika" <VKohler@nma.org>  
**CC:** Sam Bartlett <SBartlett@eiti.org>, Leah Krogsund  
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**Sent:** Mon Apr 03 2017 03:00:58 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
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**To:** Sam Bartlett <SBartlett@eiti.org>, Leah Krogsund <LKrogsund@eiti.org>  
**CC:** RE: US EITI next steps

Hi Jonas – we had spoken initially, but not firming up the time. I could help by participating on Monday May 8 or Friday the 12, otherwise can join remotely for some of it.

Best, Dani

PS -- and btw there are still five weeks before then...

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**Sent:** Monday, April 3, 2017 9:49 AM  
**To:** Daniel Kaufmann <dkaufmann@resourcegovernance.org>; dbrian@pogo.org; Isabel Munilla <Isabel.Munilla@Oxfam.org>; Johanna.Nesseth@chevron.com; Gould, Greg <greg.gould@onrr.gov>; Wilson, Judith <judith.wilson@onrr.gov>; Warlick, Mary B (WarlickMB@state.gov) <WarlickMB@state.gov>; Kohler, Veronika <VKohler@nma.org>  
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**Sent:** Tue Apr 04 2017 03:57:32 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
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**Sent:** Tue Apr 04 2017 06:01:30 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** "Gould, Greg" <greg.gould@onrr.gov>  
**CC:** Sam Bartlett <SBartlett@eiti.org>  
**Subject:** FW: US EITI next steps

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I am sorry, but from my perspective it was not an option to do this another time before mid-June.

It is encouraging that Danielle, Johanna and Veronika have confirmed. We surely have an important core group.

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Jonas

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**From:** Danielle Brian [mailto:dbrian@pogo.org]  
**Sent:** tirsdag 4. april 2017 12.53

**To:** Tuttle, Johanna Nesseth <Johanna.Nesseth@chevron.com>  
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3. Options for convening the MSG
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I just wanted to follow up since I had not heard anything since this email. Please advise what the status is.

Veronika

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Jonas,

I too have a conflict on the 10th, can we meet on the 11th and end the meeting with dinner that day?

Thanks,

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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On Tue, Apr 4, 2017 at 3:57 AM, Tuttle, Johanna Nesseseth <[Johanna.Nesseseth@chevron.com](mailto:Johanna.Nesseseth@chevron.com)> wrote:

Jonas,

Thank you for the invitation.

I am available all day on May 11 but have a conflict the evening of May 10. Other days that week would work for me as well.

Thanks,

Johanna

On Apr 3, 2017, at 4:48 AM, Jonas Moberg <[JMoberg@eiti.org](mailto:JMoberg@eiti.org)> wrote:

Dear Dani, Danielle, Isabel, Joanna, Greg and Judith, Mary and Veronika,

US implementation of the EITI has obviously hit difficulties. I invite you to a dinner and meeting at somewhere to be determined but likely just outside Washington DC to explore what we do next. Can US EITI implementation continue, from the perspective of the EITI Standard and given political realities?

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	18:30 Planning discussion
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11 May	09:00 Meeting
	12:00 Lunch and ends

I assume that the following questions can be used to assist

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1. Reporting – possibilities identified by the government
2. MSG – possibilities identified by the government
3. What the Standard says
4. What stakeholders say

We surely have a duty to explore possibilities. You have all put in enormous amount of effort into US EITI. Regardless of what happens next, I really hope that you will join and contribute towards these discussions.

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First of all CONGRATS Mrs. Shime!

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On Mon, May 1, 2017 at 11:07 PM, Isabel Munilla <[Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org](mailto:Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org)> wrote:

Dear Jonas,

Many thanks for this note.

This is helpful to understand the purpose of this meeting, and your proposals for a strategy discussion. Upon reflection, these are precisely the issues that would ideally need to be discussed openly in a formal MSG meeting with all members present in order to have the same collective understanding of where we are, as well as the necessary buy-in for next steps.

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At this point, I see two main options for holding such a strategy discussion:

- It should be had at a full MSG meeting;
- The chairs should appoint a subcommittee to explore these questions with the Secretariat for presentation at a full MSG meeting. Co-chairs select members, appoint the subcommittee, share the TOR and communicate this process and any decision points to all MSG in one email, rather than separately to each constituency.

Any formal presentation at the May board meeting will be undermined if the MSG is not bought in to what is presented, or bought in to the procedure by which next steps were determined.

I welcome other views and thoughts on the above.

All the best,  
Isabel

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Thanks for your message and I am sorry that I have not been faster with providing details. My suggestion is that we meet at the [Grand Hyatt Hotel](#) at 9:00 am on 11 May. We will confirm the location of the dinner on 10 May and the meeting room details shortly.

As I wrote earlier, you have all put an enormous amount of effort into US EITI. It is the international secretariat's job to support implementation in whatever way we can.

I believe we would all benefit from understanding what has been agreed by the MSG and what USG plans in terms of next steps. With that in mind, I suggest we keep the agenda simple, covering:

1. Options under consideration for government and company disclosures
2. Options under consideration for compilation of the next EITI Report
3. Options for convening the MSG
4. Clarification of the EITI Standard vis-à-vis mainstreaming and adapted implementation.
5. Stakeholder views on next steps, including briefing the EITI Board in late May.

I am of course also happy to explain the relevant requirements of the Standard. Based on this clarity of the situation, I hope that we indeed can constructively explore options.

Best wishes,

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On Wed, Apr 19, 2017 at 6:23 PM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

| Sounds good to me and I look forward to seeing you then.

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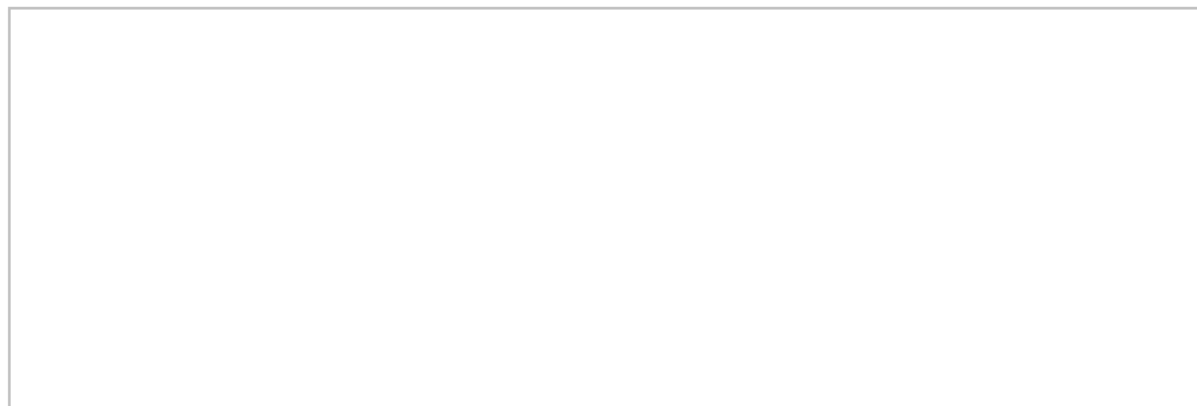
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On Apr 4, 2017, at 9:33 AM, Gould, Greg <[Greg.Gould@onrr.gov](mailto:Greg.Gould@onrr.gov)> wrote:

Jonas,

I too have a conflict on the 10th, can we meet on the 11th and end the meeting with dinner that day?

Thanks,

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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On Tue, Apr 4, 2017 at 3:57 AM, Tuttle, Johanna Nesseth  
<[Johanna.Nesseth@chevron.com](mailto:Johanna.Nesseth@chevron.com)> wrote:

Jonas,

Thank you for the invitation.

I am available all day on May 11 but have a conflict the evening of May 10. Other days that week would work for me as well.

Thanks,

Johanna

On Apr 3, 2017, at 4:48 AM, Jonas Moberg <[JMoberg@eiti.org](mailto:JMoberg@eiti.org)> wrote:

Dear Dani, Danielle, Isabel, Joanna, Greg and Judith, Mary and Veronika,

US implementation of the EITI has obviously hit difficulties. I invite you to a dinner and meeting at somewhere to be determined but likely just outside Washington DC to explore what we do next. Can US EITI implementation continue, from the perspective of the EITI Standard and given political realities?

I am inviting you because you are all important to the process and you represent different interests. I would prefer that the group remains small, but if you are not able to join and/or prefer someone else to do so, please let me know.

I foresee the following programme

10 May	18:00 Arrival and check-in
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	19:30 Dinner
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	12:00 Lunch and ends

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1. Reporting – possibilities identified by the government
2. MSG – possibilities identified by the government
3. What the Standard says
4. What stakeholders say

We surely have a duty to explore possibilities. You have all put in enormous amount of effort into US EITI. Regardless of what happens next, I really hope that you will join and contribute towards these discussions.

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Co-Chairs;  
For the upcoming Co-chair meeting, would you be interested in Tushar Kansal attending the meeting for the purpose of taking the notes? He is trusted and this could facilitate communicating a summary of points to the MSG. I can check on his availability if you are interested.

On Tue, May 2, 2017 at 11:50 AM, Isabel Munilla <[Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org](mailto:Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org)> wrote:

Congrats Veronika!

I support your proposal, and agree that it will be important to communicate and document this effort to the rest of the MSG to be sure everyone is on the same page.

Many thanks and looking forward to the discussion.

Best,  
Isabel

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First of all CONGRATS Mrs. Shime!

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On Tue, May 2, 2017 at 10:50 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

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Understanding everyone's concerns I wonder if we should call this a cochair meeting to get advice from international board. That is actually what it is to me. I do not believe that there is anything that precludes the cochair from inviting other individuals from their sector if agreed upon, to chochair meetings. The cochair have often met when there is an impasse to discuss and agree the appropriate and realistic steps forward. We could also make let the MSG know the purpose and agenda, even though we have not been so deliberate in the past. We could also take a step further and make the summary public information if we think that will appease heightened sensitivities right now, something we have never done at the cochair level.

I think the key question is if we all think this meeting is valuable? If so, then we should have it and find a way that will be most successful and positive moving forward. I think calling it a cochair meeting and then reporting out to the MSG what was discussed and how the cochair have decided we should be moving forward is absolutely respectful of our process. Thoughts?

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Thank you Jonas and Isabel. Now that we have a better understanding of your plans Jonas, I agree with Isabel that the process here is essential for it to be legitimate.

On Mon, May 1, 2017 at 11:07 PM, Isabel Munilla <[Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org](mailto:Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org)> wrote:

Dear Jonas,

Many thanks for this note.

This is helpful to understand the purpose of this meeting, and your proposals for a strategy discussion. Upon reflection, these are precisely the issues that would ideally need to be discussed openly in a formal MSG meeting with all members present in order to have the same collective understanding of where we are, as well as the necessary buy-in for next steps.

While I'm thankful for the invitation to participate, I am concerned that given the governance context in which we find ourselves, a small, exclusive meeting such as what is being proposed will be counterproductive to building trust within the MSG. To get back on track and re-establish the credibility of this process, it is crucial that EITI governance requirements are broadly perceived as being respected.

At this point, I see two main options for holding such a strategy discussion:

- It should be had at a full MSG meeting;
- The chairs should appoint a subcommittee to explore these questions with the Secretariat for presentation at a full MSG meeting. Co-chairs select members, appoint the subcommittee, share the TOR and communicate this process and any decision points to all MSG in one email, rather than separately to each constituency.

Any formal presentation at the May board meeting will be undermined if the MSG is not bought in to what is presented, or bought in to the procedure by which next steps were determined.

I welcome other views and thoughts on the above.

All the best,  
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As I wrote earlier, you have all put an enormous amount of effort into US EITI. It is the international secretariat's job to support implementation in whatever way we



can.

I believe we would all benefit from understanding what has been agreed by the MSG and what USG plans in terms of next steps. With that in mind, I suggest we keep the agenda simple, covering:

1. Options under consideration for government and company disclosures
2. Options under consideration for compilation of the next EITI Report
3. Options for convening the MSG
4. Clarification of the EITI Standard vis-à-vis mainstreaming and adapted implementation.
5. Stakeholder views on next steps, including briefing the EITI Board in late May.

I am of course also happy to explain the relevant requirements of the Standard. Based on this clarity of the situation, I hope that we indeed can constructively explore options.

Best wishes,

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Sounds good to me and I look forward to seeing you then.

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Sounds good to me and I look forward to seeing you then.

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Veronika

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Thanks,

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On Tue, Apr 4, 2017 at 3:57 AM, Tuttle, Johanna Nesseth <[Johanna.Nesseth@chevron.com](mailto:Johanna.Nesseth@chevron.com)> wrote:

Jonas,

Thank you for the invitation.

I am available all day on May 11 but have a conflict the evening of May 10. Other days that week would work for me as well.

Thanks,

Johanna

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I foresee the following programme

10 May 18:00 Arrival and check-in

18:30 Planning

discussion

19:30 Dinner

11 May 09:00 Meeting

12:00 Lunch and

ends

I assume that the following questions can be used to assist us in our discussions:

1. Reporting – possibilities identified by the government
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Jonas - It really doesn't make sense to have a dinner on the 10th if Greg can't attend. I agree with Greg it would be more efficient to simply meet on the 11th, if that day works for others.  
Danielle

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On Apr 4, 2017, at 9:33 AM, Gould, Greg  
<[Greg.Gould@onrr.gov](mailto:Greg.Gould@onrr.gov)> wrote:

Jonas,

I too have a conflict on the 10th, can we meet on the 11th and end the meeting with dinner that day?

Thanks,

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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On Tue, Apr 4, 2017 at 3:57 AM, Tuttle, Johanna  
Nesseth <[Johanna.Nesseth@chevron.com](mailto:Johanna.Nesseth@chevron.com)> wrote:

Jonas,

Thank you for the invitation.

I am available all day on May 11 but have a  
conflict the evening of May 10. Other days that  
week would work for me as well.

Thanks,

Johanna

On Apr 3, 2017, at 4:48 AM, Jonas Moberg  
<[JMoberg@eiti.org](mailto:JMoberg@eiti.org)> wrote:

Dear Dani, Danielle, Isabel, Joanna,  
Greg and Judith, Mary and  
Veronika,

US implementation of the EITI has  
obviously hit difficulties. I invite you  
to a dinner and meeting at  
somewhere to be determined but  
likely just outside Washington DC to  
explore what we do next. Can US  
EITI implementation continue, from  
the perspective of the EITI Standard  
and given political realities?

I am inviting you because you are  
all important to the process and you  
represent different interests. I would  
prefer that the group remains small,  
but if you are not able to join and/or  
prefer someone else to do so,  
please let me know.

I foresee the following programme

10 May                      18:00 Arrival and  
check-in

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discussion

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                                 12:00 Lunch and

ends

I assume that the following  
questions can be used to assist us  
in our discussions:

1.     Reporting – possibilities  
identified by the government
2.     MSG – possibilities identified  
by the government
3.     What the Standard says
4.     What stakeholders say

We surely have a duty to explore  
possibilities. You have all put in  
enormous amount of effort into US

EITI. Regardless of what happens next, I really hope that you will join and contribute towards these discussions.

I know that Greg and Judith are available and they have seen this invitation. The meeting would be chaired by me.

Please let me know if you are able to join. We will send more detailed information nearer the time.

Best wishes,

Jonas

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Dear all,

This is to let you know that the dinner meeting on 10 May at 19:00 will be at the [Tabard Inn Restaurant](#) while the meeting on 10 May at 09:00 – 12:00 will be at the [Grand Hyatt Hotel](#).

While you might have confirmed your attendance with Jonas, for planning purposes, kindly confirm with me which meeting you will attend.

Jonas can be reached at this number while in Washington - (b) (6).

Best regards,

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I agree that it will be very important for Mary to be there.

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Danielle

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On May 2, 2017, at 2:51 PM, Wilson, Judith <[judith.wilson@onrr.gov](mailto:judith.wilson@onrr.gov)> wrote:

Co-Chairs;

For the upcoming Co-chair meeting, would you be interested in Tushar Kansal attending the meeting for the purpose of taking the notes? He is trusted and this could facilitate communicating a summary of points to the MSG. I can check on his availability if you are interested.

On Tue, May 2, 2017 at 11:50 AM, Isabel Munilla <[Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org](mailto:Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org)> wrote:

Congrats Veronika!

I support your proposal, and agree that it will be important to communicate and document this effort to the rest of the MSG to be sure everyone is on the same page.

Many thanks and looking forward to the discussion.

Best,  
Isabel

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First of all CONGRATS Mrs. Shime!

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On Tue, May 2, 2017 at 10:50 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

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Understanding everyone's concerns I wonder if we should call this a cochair meeting to get advice from international board. That is actually what it is to me. I do not believe that there is anything that precludes the cochair from inviting other individuals from their sector if agreed upon, to cochair meetings. The cochair have often met when there is an impasse to discuss and agree the appropriate and realistic steps forward. We could also make let the MSG know the purpose and agenda, even though we have not been so deliberate in the past. We could also take a step further and make the summary public information if we think that will appease heightened sensitivities right now, something we have never done at the cochair level.

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Thank you Jonas and Isabel. Now that we have a better understanding of your plans Jonas, I agree with Isabel that the process here is essential for it to be legitimate.

On Mon, May 1, 2017 at 11:07 PM, Isabel Munilla <[Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org](mailto:Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org)> wrote:

Dear Jonas,

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This is helpful to understand the purpose of this meeting, and your proposals for a strategy discussion. Upon reflection, these are precisely the issues that would ideally need to be discussed openly in a formal MSG meeting with all members present in order to have the same collective understanding of where we are, as well as the necessary buy-in for next steps.

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I welcome other views and thoughts on the above.

All the best,  
Isabel

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Thank you, Ill be at both. Do we have a room location for the meeting at the hotel

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Dear all,

This is to let you know that the dinner meeting on 10 May at 19:00 will be at the [Tabard Inn Restaurant](#) while the meeting on 10 May at 09:00 – 12:00 will be at the [Grand Hyatt Hotel](#).

While you might have confirmed your attendance with Jonas, for planning purposes, kindly confirm with me which meeting you will attend.

Jonas can be reached at this number while in Washington - (b) (6).

Best regards,

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I agree that it will be very important for Mary to be there.

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Thanks for arranging Judy. Also it would be good to know if Mary Warlick will be joining us? Since Dani isn't available on the 11th I am hoping Mary can attend so that there is some Board presence.  
Danielle

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On May 2, 2017, at 2:51 PM, Wilson, Judith <[judith.wilson@onrr.gov](mailto:judith.wilson@onrr.gov)> wrote:

Co-Chairs;

For the upcoming Co-chair meeting, would you be interested in Tushar Kansal attending the meeting for the purpose of taking the notes? He is trusted and this could facilitate communicating a summary of points to the MSG. I can check



on his availability if you are interested.

On Tue, May 2, 2017 at 11:50 AM, Isabel Munilla <[Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org](mailto:Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org)> wrote:

Congrats Veronika!

I support your proposal, and agree that it will be important to communicate and document this effort to the rest of the MSG to be sure everyone is on the same page.

Many thanks and looking forward to the discussion.

Best,  
Isabel

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First of all CONGRATS Mrs. Shime!

And yes I agree making this a co-chair meeting where co-chairs can choose to invite a colleague from their sector works. I don't feel authorized to be able to make any decisions at this meeting without consultation with the CSO sector after it, but perhaps we can at least report out agreed upon options for the sectors to consider?

On Tue, May 2, 2017 at 10:50 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Dear All,

Understanding everyone's concerns I wonder if we should call this a cochair meeting to get advice from international board. That is actually what it is to me. I do not believe that there is anything that precludes the cochair from inviting other individuals from their sector if agreed upon, to cochair meetings. The cochair has often met when there is an impasse to discuss and agree the appropriate and realistic steps forward. We could also make let the MSG know the purpose and agenda, even though we have not been so deliberate in the past. We could also take a step further and make the summary public information if we think that will appease heightened sensitivities right now, something we have never done at the cochair level.

I think the key question is if we all think this meeting is valuable? If so, then we should have it and find a way that will be most successful and positive moving forward. I think calling it a cochair meeting and then reporting out to the MSG what was discussed and how the cochair has decided we should be moving forward is absolutely respectful of our process. Thoughts?

Veronika Kohler Shime

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Thank you Jonas and Isabel. Now that we have a better understanding of your plans Jonas, I agree with Isabel that the process here is essential for it to be legitimate.

On Mon, May 1, 2017 at 11:07 PM, Isabel Munilla <[Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org](mailto:Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org)> wrote:

Dear Jonas,

Many thanks for this note.

This is helpful to understand the purpose of this meeting, and your proposals for a strategy discussion. Upon reflection, these are precisely the issues that would ideally need to be discussed openly in a formal MSG meeting with all members present in order to have the same collective understanding of where we are, as well as the necessary buy-in for next steps.

While I'm thankful for the invitation to participate, I am concerned that given the governance context in which we find ourselves, a small, exclusive meeting such as what is being proposed will be counterproductive to building trust within the MSG. To get back on track and re-establish the credibility of this process, it is crucial that EITI governance requirements are broadly perceived as being respected.

At this point, I see two main options for holding such a strategy discussion:

- It should be had at a full MSG meeting;
- The chairs should appoint a subcommittee to explore these questions with the Secretariat for presentation at a full MSG meeting. Co-chairs select members, appoint the subcommittee, share the TOR and communicate this process and any decision points to all MSG in one email, rather than separately to each constituency.

Any formal presentation at the May board meeting will be undermined if the MSG is not bought in to what is presented, or bought in to the procedure by which next steps were determined.

I welcome other views and thoughts on the above.

All the best,  
Isabel

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As I wrote earlier, you have all put an enormous amount of effort into US EITI. It is the international secretariat's job to support implementation in whatever way we can.

I believe we would all benefit from understanding what has been agreed by the MSG and what USG plans in terms of next steps. With that in mind, I suggest we keep the agenda simple, covering:

1. Options under consideration for government and company disclosures
2. Options under consideration for compilation of the next EITI Report
3. Options for convening the MSG
4. Clarification of the EITI Standard vis-à-vis mainstreaming and adapted implementation.
5. Stakeholder views on next steps, including briefing the EITI Board in late May.

I am of course also happy to explain the relevant requirements of the Standard. Based on this clarity of the situation, I hope that we indeed can constructively explore options.

Best wishes,

Jonas

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Best,  
Danielle

On Wed, Apr 19, 2017 at 6:23 PM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Sounds good to me and I look forward to seeing you then.

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Veronika

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The meeting on at the Grand Hyatt is on 11 May at 9am and not 10 May as shown below in error.

My apologies.

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On Tue, May 2, 2017 at 11:50 AM, Isabel Munilla <[Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org](mailto:Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org)> wrote:

Congrats Veronika!

I support your proposal, and agree that it will be important to communicate and document this effort to the rest of the MSG to be sure everyone is on the same page.

Many thanks and looking forward to the discussion.

Best,  
Isabel

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First of all CONGRATS Mrs. Shime!

And yes I agree making this a co-chair meeting where co-chairs can choose to invite a colleague from their sector works. I don't feel authorized to be able to make any decisions at this meeting without consultation with the CSO sector after it, but perhaps we can at least report out agreed upon options for the sectors to consider?

On Tue, May 2, 2017 at 10:50 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Dear All,

Understanding everyone's concerns I wonder if we should call this a cochair meeting to get advice from international board. That is actually what it is to me. I do not believe that there is anything that precludes the cochairs from inviting other individuals from their sector if agreed upon, to cochair meetings. The cochairs have often met when there is an impasse to discuss and agree the appropriate and realistic steps forward. We could also make let the MSG know the purpose and agenda, even though we have not been so deliberate in the past. We could also take a step further and make the summary public information if we think that will appease heightened sensitivities right now, something we have never done at the cochair level.

I think the key question is if we all think this meeting is valuable? If so, then we should have it and find a way that will be most successful and positive moving forward. I think calling it a cochair meeting and then reporting out to the MSG what was discussed and how the cochairs have decided we should be moving forward is absolutely respectful of our process. Thoughts?

Veronika Kohler Shime

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Thank you Jonas and Isabel. Now that we have a better understanding of your plans Jonas, I agree with Isabel that the process here is essential for it to be legitimate.

On Mon, May 1, 2017 at 11:07 PM, Isabel Munilla <[Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org](mailto:Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org)> wrote:

Dear Jonas,

Many thanks for this note.

This is helpful to understand the purpose of this meeting, and your proposals for a strategy discussion. Upon reflection, these are precisely the issues that would ideally need to be discussed openly in a formal MSG meeting with all members present in order to have the same collective understanding of where we are, as well as the necessary buy-in for next steps.

While I'm thankful for the invitation to participate, I am concerned that given the governance context in which we find ourselves, a small, exclusive meeting such as what is being proposed will be counterproductive to building trust within the MSG. To get back on track and re-establish the credibility of this process, it is crucial that EITI governance requirements are broadly perceived as being respected.

At this point, I see two main options for holding such a strategy discussion:

- It should be had at a full MSG meeting;
- The chairs should appoint a subcommittee to explore these questions with the Secretariat for presentation at a full MSG meeting. Co-chairs select members, appoint the subcommittee, share the TOR and communicate this process and any decision points to all MSG in one email, rather than separately to each constituency.

Any formal presentation at the May board meeting will be undermined if the MSG is not bought in to what is presented, or bought in to the procedure by which next steps were determined.

I welcome other views and thoughts on the above.

All the best,  
Isabel

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Dear Danielle and everyone,

Thanks for your message and I am sorry that I have not been faster with providing details. My suggestion is that we meet at the [Grand Hyatt Hotel](#) at 9:00 am on 11 May. We will confirm the location of the dinner on 10 May and the meeting room details shortly.



As I wrote earlier, you have all put an enormous amount of effort into US EITI. It is the international secretariat's job to support implementation in whatever way we can.

I believe we would all benefit from understanding what has been agreed by the MSG and what USG plans in terms of next steps. With that in mind, I suggest we keep the agenda simple, covering:

1. Options under consideration for government and company disclosures
2. Options under consideration for compilation of the next EITI Report
3. Options for convening the MSG
4. Clarification of the EITI Standard vis-à-vis mainstreaming and adapted implementation.
5. Stakeholder views on next steps, including briefing the EITI Board in late May.

I am of course also happy to explain the relevant requirements of the Standard. Based on this clarity of the situation, I hope that we indeed can constructively explore options.

Best wishes,

Jonas

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Jonas -

Could you please explain the agenda and purpose for this meeting? In order to be prepared, and be sure that the right people are at the table, I need to understand your goals.

Best,  
Danielle

On Wed, Apr 19, 2017 at 6:23 PM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Sounds good to me and I look forward to seeing you then.

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On Apr 19, 2017, at 11:09 AM, Jonas Moberg <[JMoberg@eiti.org](mailto:JMoberg@eiti.org)> wrote:

Dear all,

Thanks for all the replies I have had and I am sorry not to have followed up earlier.

My suggestion that we meet on 11 May 9-12, followed by lunch, still stands and I will provide location etc nearer the time. I am afraid that I am probably not available for dinner on 11 May, but I am still available for dinner on 10 May, in case some of you are able to join. Again, I will

provide details soon.

Best wishes,

Jonas

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Hello Everyone,

I just wanted to follow up since I had not heard anything since this email. Please advise what the status is.

Veronika

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Jonas - It really doesn't make sense to have a dinner on the 10th if Greg can't attend. I agree with Greg it would be more efficient to simply meet on the 11th, if that day works for others.

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On Apr 4, 2017, at 9:33 AM, Gould, Greg <[Greg.Gould@onrr.gov](mailto:Greg.Gould@onrr.gov)> wrote:

Jonas,

I too have a conflict on the 10th, can we meet on the 11th and end the meeting with dinner that day?

Thanks,

Greg

Gregory J. Gould

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On Tue, Apr 4, 2017 at 3:57 AM, Tuttle, Johanna Nesseth  
<[Johanna.Nesseth@chevron.com](mailto:Johanna.Nesseth@chevron.com)> wrote:

Jonas,

Thank you for the invitation.

I am available all day on May 11 but have a conflict the evening of May 10. Other days that week would work for me as well.

Thanks,

Johanna

On Apr 3, 2017, at 4:48 AM, Jonas Moberg  
<[JMoberg@eiti.org](mailto:JMoberg@eiti.org)> wrote:

Dear Dani, Danielle, Isabel, Joanna, Greg  
and Judith, Mary and Veronika,

US implementation of the EITI has obviously hit difficulties. I invite you to a dinner and meeting at somewhere to be determined but likely just outside Washington DC to explore what we do next. Can US EITI implementation continue, from the perspective of the EITI Standard and given political realities?

I am inviting you because you are all important to the process and you represent different interests. I would prefer that the group remains small, but if you are not able to join and/or prefer someone else to do so, please let me know.

I foresee the following programme

10 May	18:00 Arrival and check-in
	18:30 Planning

discussion

	19:30 Dinner
11 May	09:00 Meeting
	12:00 Lunch and ends

I assume that the following questions can be used to assist us in our discussions:

1. Reporting – possibilities identified by the government
2. MSG – possibilities identified by the government



3. What the Standard says
4. What stakeholders say

We surely have a duty to explore possibilities. You have all put in enormous amount of effort into US EITI. Regardless of what happens next, I really hope that you will join and contribute towards these discussions.

I know that Greg and Judith are available and they have seen this invitation. The meeting would be chaired by me.

Please let me know if you are able to join. We will send more detailed information nearer the time.

Best wishes,

Jonas

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Respectfully,

Greg

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Congrats Veronika!

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Many thanks and looking forward to the discussion.

Best,  
Isabel

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Veronika Kohler Shime

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Thank you Jonas and Isabel. Now that we have a better understanding of your plans Jonas, I agree with Isabel that the process here is essential for it to be legitimate.

On Mon, May 1, 2017 at 11:07 PM, Isabel Munilla <[Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org](mailto:Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org)> wrote:

Dear Jonas,

Many thanks for this note.

This is helpful to understand the purpose of this meeting, and your proposals for a strategy discussion. Upon reflection, these are precisely the issues that would ideally need to be discussed openly in a formal MSG meeting with all members present in order to have the same collective understanding of where we are, as well as the necessary buy-in for next steps.

While I'm thankful for the invitation to participate, I am concerned that given the governance context in which we find ourselves, a small, exclusive meeting such as what is being proposed will be counterproductive to building trust within the MSG. To get back on track and re-establish the credibility of this process, it is crucial that EITI governance requirements are broadly perceived as being respected.

At this point, I see two main options for holding such a strategy discussion:

- It should be had at a full MSG meeting;
- The chairs should appoint a subcommittee to explore these questions with the Secretariat for presentation at a full MSG meeting. Co-chairs select members, appoint the subcommittee, share the TOR and communicate this process and any decision points to all MSG in one email, rather than separately to each constituency.

Any formal presentation at the May board meeting will be undermined if the MSG is not bought in to what is presented, or bought in to the procedure by which next steps were determined.

I welcome other views and thoughts on the above.

All the best,  
Isabel

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Dear Danielle and everyone,

Thanks for your message and I am sorry that I have not been faster with providing details. My suggestion is that we meet at the [Grand Hyatt Hotel](#) at 9:00 am on 11 May. We will confirm the location of the dinner on 10 May and the meeting room details shortly.

As I wrote earlier, you have all put an enormous amount of effort into US EITI. It is the international secretariat's job to support implementation in whatever way we can.

I believe we would all benefit from understanding what has been agreed by the MSG and what USG plans in terms of next steps. With that in mind, I suggest we keep the agenda simple, covering:

1. Options under consideration for government and company disclosures
2. Options under consideration for compilation of the next EITI Report
3. Options for convening the MSG
4. Clarification of the EITI Standard vis-à-vis mainstreaming and adapted implementation.
5. Stakeholder views on next steps, including briefing the EITI Board in late May.

I am of course also happy to explain the relevant requirements of the Standard. Based on this clarity of the situation, I hope that we indeed can constructively explore options.

Best wishes,

Jonas

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Jonas -

Could you please explain the agenda and purpose for this meeting? In order to be prepared, and be sure that the right people are at the table, I need to understand your goals.

Best,  
Danielle

On Wed, Apr 19, 2017 at 6:23 PM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Sounds good to me and I look forward to seeing you then.

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On Apr 19, 2017, at 11:09 AM, Jonas Moberg <[JMoberg@eiti.org](mailto:JMoberg@eiti.org)> wrote:

Dear all,



Thanks for all the replies I have had and I am sorry not to have followed up earlier.

My suggestion that we meet on 11 May 9-12, followed by lunch, still stands and I will provide location etc nearer the time. I am afraid that I am probably not available for dinner on 11 May, but I am still available for dinner on 10 May, in case some of you are able to join. Again, I will provide details soon.

Best wishes,

Jonas

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Hello Everyone,

I just wanted to follow up since I had not heard anything since this email. Please advise what the status is.

Veronika

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Jonas - It really doesn't make sense to have a dinner on the 10th if Greg can't attend. I agree with Greg it would be more efficient to simply meet on the 11th, if that day works for others.  
Danielle

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On Apr 4, 2017, at 9:33 AM, Gould, Greg <[Greg.Gould@onrr.gov](mailto:Greg.Gould@onrr.gov)> wrote:

Jonas,

I too have a conflict on the 10th, can we meet on the 11th and end the meeting with dinner that day?

Thanks,

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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*Director*

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On Tue, Apr 4, 2017 at 3:57 AM, Tuttle, Johanna Nesseth <[Johanna.Nesseth@chevron.com](mailto:Johanna.Nesseth@chevron.com)> wrote:

Jonas,

Thank you for the invitation.

I am available all day on May 11 but have a conflict the evening of May 10. Other days that week would work for me as well.

Thanks,

Johanna

On Apr 3, 2017, at 4:48 AM, Jonas Moberg <[JMoberg@eiti.org](mailto:JMoberg@eiti.org)> wrote:

Dear Dani, Danielle, Isabel, Joanna, Greg and Judith, Mary and Veronika,

US implementation of the EITI has obviously hit difficulties. I invite you to a dinner and meeting at somewhere to be determined but likely just outside Washington DC to explore what we do next. Can US EITI implementation continue, from the perspective of the EITI Standard and given political realities?

I am inviting you because you are all important to the process and you represent different interests. I would prefer that the group remains small, but if you are not able to join and/or prefer someone else to do so, please let me know.

I foresee the following programme

10 May                      18:00 Arrival and check-in

18:30 Planning

discussion

11 May 19:30 Dinner  
09:00 Meeting  
12:00 Lunch and ends

I assume that the following questions can be used to assist us in our discussions:

1. Reporting – possibilities identified by the government
2. MSG – possibilities identified by the government
3. What the Standard says
4. What stakeholders say

We surely have a duty to explore possibilities. You have all put in enormous amount of effort into US EITI. Regardless of what happens next, I really hope that you will join and contribute towards these discussions. I know that Greg and Judith are available and they have seen this invitation. The meeting would be chaired by me.

Please let me know if you are able to join. We will send more detailed information nearer the time.

Best wishes,

Jonas

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On May 5, 2017, at 10:20 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Thank you, Ill be at both. Do we have a room location for the meeting at the hotel

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Dear all,

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While you might have confirmed your attendance with Jonas, for planning purposes, kindly confirm with me which meeting you will attend.

Jonas can be reached at this number while in Washington - (b) (6).

Best regards,

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I welcome other views and thoughts on the above.

All the best,  
Isabel

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Jonas

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Jonas -  
Could you please explain the agenda and purpose for this meeting? In order to be prepared, and be sure that the right people are at the table, I need to understand your goals.

Best,  
Danielle

On Wed, Apr 19, 2017 at 6:23 PM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Sounds good to me and I look forward to seeing you then.

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On Apr 19, 2017, at 11:09 AM, Jonas Moberg <[JMoberg@eiti.org](mailto:JMoberg@eiti.org)> wrote:

Dear all,

Thanks for all the replies I have had and I am sorry not to have followed up earlier.

My suggestion that we meet on 11 May 9-12, followed by lunch, still stands and I will provide location etc nearer the time. I am afraid that I am probably not available for dinner on 11 May, but I am still available for dinner on 10 May, in case some of you are able to join. Again, I will provide details soon.

Best wishes,

Jonas

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Hello Everyone,

I just wanted to follow up since I had not heard anything since this email. Please advise what the status is.

Veronika

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Jonas - It really doesn't make sense to have a dinner on the 10th if Greg can't attend. I agree with Greg it would be more efficient to simply meet on the 11th, if that day works for others.

Danielle

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On Apr 4, 2017, at 9:33 AM, Gould, Greg <[Greg.Gould@onrr.gov](mailto:Greg.Gould@onrr.gov)> wrote:

Jonas,

I too have a conflict on the 10th, can we meet on the 11th and end the meeting with dinner that day?

Thanks,

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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*Director  
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U.S. Department of the Interior*

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On Tue, Apr 4, 2017 at 3:57 AM, Tuttle,  
Johanna Nesseseth  
<[Johanna.Nesseseth@chevron.com](mailto:Johanna.Nesseseth@chevron.com)> wrote:

Jonas,

Thank you for the invitation.

I am available all day on May 11 but have a  
conflict the evening of May 10. Other days  
that week would work for me as well.

Thanks,

Johanna

On Apr 3, 2017, at 4:48 AM, Jonas Moberg  
<[JMoberg@eiti.org](mailto:JMoberg@eiti.org)> wrote:

Dear Dani, Danielle, Isabel,  
Joanna, Greg and Judith, Mary  
and Veronika,

US implementation of the EITI  
has obviously hit difficulties. I  
invite you to a dinner and  
meeting at somewhere to be  
determined but likely just  
outside Washington DC to  
explore what we do next. Can  
US EITI implementation  
continue, from the perspective  
of the EITI Standard and given  
political realities?

I am inviting you because you  
are all important to the process  
and you represent different  
interests. I would prefer that  
the group remains small, but if  
you are not able to join and/or  
prefer someone else to do so,  
please let me know.

I foresee the following  
programme

10 May                      18:00 Arrival  
and check-in

18:30

Planning discussion

19:30 Dinner

11 May                      09:00 Meeting  
12:00 Lunch

and ends

I assume that the following  
questions can be used to  
assist us in our discussions:

1. Reporting – possibilities  
identified by the government
2. MSG – possibilities  
identified by the government
3. What the Standard says

4. What stakeholders say

We surely have a duty to explore possibilities. You have all put in enormous amount of effort into US EITI. Regardless of what happens next, I really hope that you will join and contribute towards these discussions.

I know that Greg and Judith are available and they have seen this invitation. The meeting would be chaired by me.

Please let me know if you are able to join. We will send more detailed information nearer the time.

Best wishes,

Jonas

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I will attend both.

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

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From: Leah Krogsund <[LKrogsund@eiti.org](mailto:LKrogsund@eiti.org)>

Date: 5/5/17 10:16 AM (GMT-05:00)

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Dear all,

This is to let you know that the dinner meeting on 10 May at 19:00 will be at the [Tabard Inn Restaurant](#) while the meeting on 10 May at 09:00 – 12:00 will be at the [Grand Hyatt Hotel](#).

While you might have confirmed your attendance with Jonas, for planning purposes, kindly confirm with me which meeting you will attend.

Jonas can be reached at this number while in Washington - (b) (6) .

Best regards,

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**From:** Kohler, Veronika [mailto:[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)]

**Sent:** torsdag 4. mai 2017 22.03

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I agree that it will be very important for Mary to be there.

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Thanks for arranging Judy. Also it would be good to know if Mary Warlick will be joining us? Since Dani isn't available on the 11th I am hoping Mary can attend so that there is some Board presence.  
Danielle

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On May 2, 2017, at 2:51 PM, Wilson, Judith <[judith.wilson@onrr.gov](mailto:judith.wilson@onrr.gov)> wrote:

Co-Chairs;

For the upcoming Co-chair meeting, would you be interested in Tushar Kansal attending the meeting for the purpose of taking the notes? He is trusted and this could facilitate communicating a summary of points to the MSG. I can check on his availability if you are interested.

On Tue, May 2, 2017 at 11:50 AM, Isabel Munilla <[Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org](mailto:Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org)> wrote:

Congrats Veronika!

I support your proposal, and agree that it will be important to communicate and document this effort to the rest of the MSG to be sure everyone is on the same page.

Many thanks and looking forward to the discussion.

Best,  
Isabel

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First of all CONGRATS Mrs. Shime!

And yes I agree making this a co-chair meeting where co-chairs can choose to invite a colleague from their sector works. I don't feel authorized to be able to make any decisions at this meeting without consultation with the CSO sector after it, but perhaps we can at least report out agreed upon options for the sectors to consider?

On Tue, May 2, 2017 at 10:50 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Dear All,

Understanding everyone's concerns I wonder if we should call this a cochair meeting to get advice from international board. That is actually what it is to me. I do not believe that there is anything that precludes the cochair from inviting other individuals from their sector if agreed upon, to cochair meetings. The cochair have often met when there is an impasse to discuss and agree the appropriate and realistic steps forward. We could also make let the MSG know the purpose and agenda, even though we have not been so deliberate in the past. We could also take a step further and make the summary public information if we think that will appease heightened sensitivities right now, something we have never done at the cochair level.

I think the key question is if we all think this meeting is valuable? If so, then we should have it and find a way that will be most successful and positive moving forward. I think calling it a cochair meeting and then reporting out to the MSG what was discussed and how the cochair have decided we should be moving forward is absolutely respectful of our process. Thoughts?

Veronika Kohler Shime

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Johanna

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US implementation of the EITI has obviously hit difficulties. I invite you to a dinner and meeting at somewhere to be determined but likely just outside Washington DC to explore what we do next. Can US EITI implementation continue, from the perspective of the EITI Standard and given political realities?

I am inviting you because you are all important to the process and you represent different interests. I would prefer that the group remains small, but if you are not able to join and/or prefer someone else to do so, please let me know.

I foresee the following programme

10 May	18:00 Arrival and check-in
	18:30 Planning

discussion

	19:30 Dinner
11 May	09:00 Meeting
	12:00 Lunch and ends

I assume that the following questions can be used to assist us in our discussions:

1. Reporting – possibilities identified by the government
2. MSG – possibilities identified by the government
3. What the Standard says
4. What stakeholders say

We surely have a duty to explore possibilities. You have all put in enormous amount of effort into US EITI. Regardless of what happens next, I really hope that you will join and contribute towards these discussions.

I know that Greg and Judith are available and they have seen this invitation. The meeting would be chaired by me.

Please let me know if you are able to join. We will send more detailed information nearer the time.

Best wishes,

Jonas

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The meeting at the Hyatt Hotel on 11 May at 9:00 will take place in Penn Quarter A, on the 1B Declaration Level. One level down from the lobby.

Best regards

Leah Krogsund

On 5 May 2017, at 16:15, Leah Krogsund <[LKrogsund@eiti.org](mailto:LKrogsund@eiti.org)> wrote:

Dear all,

This is to let you know that the dinner meeting on 10 May at 19:00 will be at the [Tabard Inn Restaurant](#) while the meeting on 10 May at 09:00 – 12:00 will be at the [Grand Hyatt Hotel](#).

While you might have confirmed your attendance with Jonas, for planning purposes, kindly confirm with me which meeting you will attend.

Jonas can be reached at this number while in Washington - (b) (6)

Best regards,

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On May 2, 2017, at 2:51 PM, Wilson, Judith <[judith.wilson@onrr.gov](mailto:judith.wilson@onrr.gov)> wrote:

Co-Chairs;  
For the upcoming Co-chair meeting, would you be interested in Tushar Kansal attending the meeting for the purpose of taking the notes? He is trusted and this could facilitate communicating a summary of points to the MSG. I can check on his availability if you are interested.

On Tue, May 2, 2017 at 11:50 AM, Isabel Munilla <[Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org](mailto:Isabel.Munilla@oxfam.org)> wrote:

Congrats Veronika!

I support your proposal, and agree that it will be important to communicate and document this effort to the rest of the MSG to be sure everyone is on the same page.

Many thanks and looking forward to the discussion.

Best,  
Isabel

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First of all CONGRATS Mrs. Shime!

And yes I agree making this a co-chair meeting where co-chairs can choose to invite a colleague from their sector works. I don't feel authorized to be able to make any decisions at this meeting without consultation with the CSO sector after it, but perhaps we can at least report out agreed upon options for the sectors to consider?

On Tue, May 2, 2017 at 10:50 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

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Understanding everyone's concerns I wonder if we should call this a cochair meeting to get advice from international board. That is actually what it is to me. I do not believe that there is anything that precludes the cochairs from inviting other individuals from their sector if agreed upon, to chochair meetings. The cochairs have often met when there is an impasse to discuss and agree the appropriate and realistic steps forward. We could also make let the MSG know the purpose and agenda, even though we have not been so deliberate in the past. We could also take a step further and make the summary public information if we think that will appease heightened sensitivities right now, something we have never done at the cochair level.

I think the key question is if we all think this meeting is valuable? If so, then we should have it and find a way that will be most successful and positive moving forward. I think calling it a cochair meeting and then reporting out to the MSG what was discussed and how the cochairs have decided we should be moving forward is absolutely respectful of our process. Thoughts?

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Many thanks for this note.

This is helpful to understand the purpose of this meeting, and your proposals for a strategy discussion. Upon reflection, these are precisely the issues that would ideally need to be discussed openly in a formal MSG meeting with all members present in order to have the same collective understanding of where we are, as well as the necessary buy-in for next steps.

While I'm thankful for the invitation to participate, I am concerned that given the governance context in which we find ourselves, a small, exclusive meeting such as what is being proposed will be counterproductive to building trust within the MSG. To get back on track and re-establish the credibility of this process, it is crucial that EITI governance requirements are broadly perceived as being respected.

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conflict the evening of May 10. Other days  
that week would work for me as well.

Thanks,

Johanna

On Apr 3, 2017, at 4:48 AM, Jonas Moberg  
<[JMoberg@eiti.org](mailto:JMoberg@eiti.org)> wrote:

Dear Dani, Danielle, Isabel,  
Joanna, Greg and Judith, Mary  
and Veronika,

US implementation of the EITI  
has obviously hit difficulties. I  
invite you to a dinner and  
meeting at somewhere to be  
determined but likely just  
outside Washington DC to

explore what we do next. Can US EITI implementation continue, from the perspective of the EITI Standard and given political realities?

I am inviting you because you are all important to the process and you represent different interests. I would prefer that the group remains small, but if you are not able to join and/or prefer someone else to do so, please let me know.

I foresee the following programme

10 May 18:00 Arrival  
and check-in

18:30

Planning discussion

19:30 Dinner

11 May 09:00 Meeting  
12:00 Lunch

and ends

I assume that the following questions can be used to assist us in our discussions:

1. Reporting – possibilities identified by the government
2. MSG – possibilities identified by the government
3. What the Standard says
4. What stakeholders say

We surely have a duty to explore possibilities. You have all put in enormous amount of effort into US EITI. Regardless of what happens next, I really hope that you will join and contribute towards these discussions.

I know that Greg and Judith are available and they have seen this invitation. The meeting would be chaired by me.

Please let me know if you are able to join. We will send more detailed information nearer the time.

Best wishes,

Jonas

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COUNTRIES**  
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[https://eiti.org/files/progressreport.  
pdf](https://eiti.org/files/progressreport.pdf).

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When you have a minute and not related to EITI :)

**"Gould, Greg" <greg.gould@onrr.gov>**

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**From:** "Gould, Greg" <greg.gould@onrr.gov>  
**Sent:** Thu Apr 27 2017 07:56:32 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** Veronika Kohler <VKohler@nma.org>  
**Subject:** When you have a minute and not related to EITI :)

Please give me a call at 303-231-3058.

Thanks,

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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**"Kohler, Veronika" <VKohler@nma.org>**

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**From:** "Kohler, Veronika" <VKohler@nma.org>  
**Sent:** Fri Apr 28 2017 05:24:47 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** "Gould, Greg" <greg.gould@onrr.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: When you have a minute and not related to EITI :)

Is it too early to call now? I think so. Or you could call me anytime before 1:30 my time.

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**From:** "Kohler, Veronika" <VKohler@nma.org>  
**Sent:** Fri Apr 28 2017 05:24:59 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
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**From:** Greg Gould <[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)>  
**Sent:** Fri Apr 28 2017 06:39:49 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** "Kohler, Veronika" <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: When you have a minute and not related to EITI :)

All set, I talked to Katie.

Congrats on your wedding, we can talk more next week.

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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Out of the Office Re: When you have a minute and not related to EITI :)

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**From:** "Gould, Greg" <greg.gould@onrr.gov>  
**Sent:** Fri Apr 28 2017 05:24:55 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** vkohler@nma.org  
**Subject:** Out of the Office Re: When you have a minute and not related to EITI :)

I am out of the office and will return on Tuesday, May 2, 2017. I will have limited access to my email. Jim Steward will be the Acting Director during this period, please contact Jim by email at [jim.steward@onrr.gov](mailto:jim.steward@onrr.gov) or phone at 303-231-3715 if you need immediate assistance.

Thanks,

Greg

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**From:** "Kohler, Veronika" <VKohler@nma.org>  
**Sent:** Thu Apr 27 2017 07:57:25 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** "Gould, Greg" <greg.gould@onrr.gov>  
**Subject:** Automatic reply: When you have a minute and not related to EITI :)

Thank you for your email. Please note that I am out of the office getting hitched! My married self will happily respond to your email on Monday when I return.

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Have a wonderful day,  
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**"Gould, Greg" <greg.gould@onrr.gov>**

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**From:** "Gould, Greg" <greg.gould@onrr.gov>  
**Sent:** Thu Apr 27 2017 08:06:43 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** "Kohler, Veronika" <VKohler@nma.org>  
**Subject:** Re: Automatic reply: When you have a minute and not related to EITI :)

Woohoo, congratulations!

Greg

Gregory J. Gould

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**From:** "Gould, Greg" <[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)>  
**Sent:** Thu Apr 27 2017 08:07:40 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** Katie Sweeney <[KSweeney@nma.org](mailto:KSweeney@nma.org)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Automatic reply: When you have a minute and not related to EITI :)

Hi Katie,

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Update from CSOs

**Danielle Brian <dbrian@pogo.org>**

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**From:** Danielle Brian <dbrian@pogo.org>  
**Sent:** Fri Apr 21 2017 08:43:08 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** Greg Gould <Greg.Gould@onrr.gov>, Veronika Kohler <VKohler@nma.org>  
**Subject:** Update from CSOs

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Thanks,  
Danielle

Danielle Brian  
Executive Director  
Project On Government Oversight (POGO)  
202-347-1122

**Greg Gould <greg.gould@onrr.gov>**

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**From:** Greg Gould <greg.gould@onrr.gov>  
**Sent:** Fri Apr 21 2017 10:02:47 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** Danielle Brian <dbrian@pogo.org>  
**CC:** Veronika Kohler <VKohler@nma.org>  
**Subject:** Re: Update from CSOs

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**From:** Danielle Brian <[dbrian@pogo.org](mailto:dbrian@pogo.org)>  
**Sent:** Tue Apr 25 2017 16:50:29 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** Greg Gould <[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)>  
**CC:** Veronika Kohler <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: Update from CSOs

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**Sent:** Wed Apr 26 2017 07:53:02 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** Danielle Brian <dbrian@pogo.org>  
**CC:** Veronika Kohler <VKohler@nma.org>  
**Subject:** Re: Update from CSOs

I can't make that commitment right now, so if you are not willing to meet to discuss next steps, please let Jonas know that the CSO's do not want to hold the meeting so that we can all adjust our plans.

Thanks,

Greg

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**"Gould, Greg" <greg.gould@onrr.gov>**

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**From:** "Gould, Greg" <greg.gould@onrr.gov>  
**Sent:** Wed Apr 26 2017 09:34:48 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** "Steward, Jim" <Jim.Steward@onrr.gov>, Judith Wilson <judith.wilson@onrr.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Update from CSOs

Jim/Judy,

See below. The drama continues.

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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Date: Wed, Apr 26, 2017 at 7:53 AM  
Subject: Re: Update from CSOs  
To: Danielle Brian <[dbrian@pogo.org](mailto:dbrian@pogo.org)>  
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**From:** "Gould, Greg" <[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)>  
**Sent:** Wed Apr 26 2017 09:35:51 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** Amy Holley <[Amy\\_Holley@ios.doi.gov](mailto:Amy_Holley@ios.doi.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Update from CSOs

FYI only. And the drama continues, see below....

Greg

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Fwd: Royalty Policy Committee

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**From:** "Oliver, Kimiko" <kimiko.oliver@onrr.gov>  
**Sent:** Wed Apr 05 2017 03:30:05 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
Greg Gould <Greg.Gould@onrr.gov>, Judith Wilson  
<judith.wilson@onrr.gov>, Jennifer Malcolm  
**To:** <jennifer.malcolm@onrr.gov>, Chris Mentasti  
<chris.mentasti@onrr.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Royalty Policy Committee

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**From:** Romig, David <dromig@fmi.com>  
**Date:** Tue, Apr 4, 2017 at 3:19 PM  
**Subject:** Royalty Policy Committee  
**To:** "Kimiko.oliver@onrr.gov" <Kimiko.oliver@onrr.gov>  
**Cc:** "David Romig yahoo (b) (6) @yahoo.com" <(b) (6) @yahoo.com>

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**From:** Greg Gould <[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)>  
**Sent:** Wed Apr 05 2017 05:08:24 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** "Oliver, Kimiko" <[kimiko.oliver@onrr.gov](mailto:kimiko.oliver@onrr.gov)>  
Judith Wilson <[judith.wilson@onrr.gov](mailto:judith.wilson@onrr.gov)>, Jennifer Malcolm  
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**"Kohler, Veronika" <VKohler@nma.org>**

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**From:** "Kohler, Veronika" <VKohler@nma.org>  
**Sent:** Tue Apr 11 2017 12:38:11 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** "Wilson, Judith" <judith.wilson@onrr.gov>  
**CC:** Greg Gould <greg.gould@onrr.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Royalty Policy Committee

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**Sent:** Tuesday, April 11, 2017 2:26 PM  
**To:** Kohler, Veronika <VKohler@nma.org>  
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Thank you Veronika. I'll get an update on any industry self nominations. At this early stage, I believe David Romig may have been the only one to reach out to us. I welcome your thoughts on the industry split by commodities. Would you have time for a conversation early next week?

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**To:** Greg Gould <Greg.Gould@onrr.gov>, Veronika Kohler <VKohler@nma.org>  
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**Sent:** Wed Apr 05 2017 07:09:30 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
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I am out of the office and will be returning on Tuesday, April 4, 2017. I will have limited access to my email. Jim Steward will be the Acting Director during this period, please contact Jim by email at [jim.steward@onrr.gov](mailto:jim.steward@onrr.gov) or phone at 303-231-3715 if you need immediate assistance.

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5. **Agency or Official to Whom the Committee Reports.** The Committee will report to the Secretary through the ASLM, ASIA, and the Director of ONRR.
6. **Support.** The ONRR will provide administrative and logistical support for the Committee.
7. **Estimated Annual Operating Costs and Staff Years.** The annual operating costs associated with supporting the Committee's functions are estimated to be \$350,000, including all direct and indirect expenses and 3 full-time employees.

8. **Designated Federal Officer.** The DFO is a full-time Federal employee appointed in accordance with Agency procedures. The DFO or alternate DFO will approve or call all Committee and subcommittee meetings, prepare and approve all meeting agendas, attend all Committee and subcommittee meetings, adjourn any meeting when the DFO determines adjournment to be in the public interest, and chair Committee meetings when directed to do so by the Secretary.
9. **Estimated Number and Frequency of Meetings.** The Committee will meet at least once each calendar year, and at such other times as determined necessary by the DFO.
10. **Duration.** Continuing.
11. **Termination.** The Committee is subject to biennial review and will terminate 2 years from the date the Charter is filed, unless prior to that date, it is renewed in accordance with Section 14 of the FACA. The Committee will not meet or take any action without a valid current charter.
12. **Membership and Designation.** The Committee will not exceed 28 members and will be composed of non-Federal and Federal members in order to ensure fair and balanced representation. The Secretary will appoint non-Federal members and their alternates to the Committee to serve up to a 3-year term. Non-Federal members and alternates may not serve as a member or alternate for more than 6 consecutive years. However, after a 2-year break in service, any such non-Federal member or alternate will again be eligible for appointment.

The ASLM and the Director of ONRR, or their designee(s), shall serve as co-Chairs of the Committee.

*Federal Members:* The Secretary will appoint the following officials as nonvoting, ex-officio members of the Committee:

- A representative of the Secretary's Immediate Office
- Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs
- Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs
- Director, Bureau of Land Management
- Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
- Director, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement

These officials may designate a senior official to act on their behalf.

*Non-Federal Members:* The Secretary will appoint members in the following categories:

- Up to 6 members representing the Governors of States that receive more than \$10,000,000 annually in royalty revenues from onshore and offshore Federal leases.
- Up to 4 members representing the Indian Tribes that are engaged in activities subject to:
  - (i) the Act of May 11, 1938 (commonly known as the "Indian Mineral Leasing Act of 1938") (25 U.S.C. 396a *et seq.*);
  - (ii) Title XXVI of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (25 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*);
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  - (iv) any other law relating to mineral development that is specific to one or more Indian Tribes.



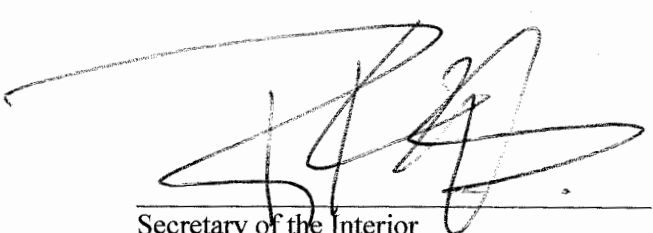
- Up to 6 members representing various mineral and/or energy stakeholders in Federal and Indian royalty policy.
- Up to 4 members representing academia and public interest groups.

Each non-Federal member may nominate an alternate member to the Committee. Alternate members must be approved and appointed to the Committee by the Secretary before attending meetings in lieu of primary members. Alternate members will have experience and/or expertise similar to that of the associated primary member.

Members of the Committee serve without compensation. However, while away from their homes or regular places of business, Committee and subcommittee members engaged in Committee or subcommittee business approved by the DFO may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5703, in the same manner as persons employed intermittently in Federal Government service.

Any vacancy on the Committee will be filled in the same manner in which the original appointment was made. All members serve at the discretion of the Secretary.

13. **Subcommittees.** Subject to the DFO's approval, subcommittees may be formed for the purposes of compiling information, conducting research, and/or drafting recommendations. However, such subcommittees must act only under the direction of the Committee and must report their recommendations to the full Committee for consideration. Subcommittees will meet as necessary to accomplish their assignments, subject to the approval of the DFO and the availability of resources.
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15. **Recordkeeping.** The records of the Committee, including formally and informally established subcommittees of the Committee, will be handled in accordance with General Records Schedule 6.2 or other approved Agency records disposition schedule. These records will be available for public inspection and copying, subject to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.

  
Secretary of the Interior

03-29-2017  
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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Office of the Secretary**

[Docket No. ONRR-2012-0003]

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**Royalty Policy Committee Establishment; Request for Nominations**

**AGENCY:** Office of Natural Resources Revenue, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

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**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) is establishing and seeking nominations for the Royalty Policy Committee (Committee). The Committee will provide advice to the Secretary on the fair market value of, and the collection of revenues derived from, the development of energy and mineral resources on Federal and Indian lands.

**DATES:** Comments regarding the establishment of this Committee must be submitted no later than [INSERT DATE 15 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. Nominations for the Committee must be submitted by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*].

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments and/or nominations by any of the following methods:

- Mail or hand-carry nominations to Ms. Kim Oliver, Department of the Interior, Office of Natural Resources Revenue, 1849 C Street, NW, MS 5134, Washington, DC 20240; or

- Email nominations to: Kimiko.oliver@onrr.gov

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Judy Wilson, Office of Natural Resources Revenue; telephone (202) 208-4410; e-mail: judith.wilson@onrr.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Committee is established under the authority of the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) and regulated by the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2). The Secretary seeks to ensure that the public receives the full value of the natural resources produced from Federal lands. The duties of the Committee are solely advisory in nature. The Committee will, at the request of the Designated Federal Officer (DFO), advise on current and emerging issues related to the determination of fair market value, and the collection of revenue from energy and mineral resources on Federal and Indian lands. The Committee also will advise on the potential impacts of proposed policies and regulations related to revenue collection from such development, including whether a need exists for regulatory reform.

We are seeking nominations for individuals to be considered as Committee members. The Committee will not exceed 28 members and will be composed of Federal and non-Federal members in order to ensure fair and balanced representation. The Secretary will appoint non-Federal members and their alternates to the Committee to serve up to a three-year term. The Assistant Secretary – Land and Minerals Management and the Director of ONRR, or their designee(s), shall serve as co-Chairs of the Committee.

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Nominations should include a resume providing an adequate description of the nominee’s qualifications, including information that would enable DOI to make an informed decision regarding meeting the membership requirements of the Committee and to permit DOI to contact a potential member.

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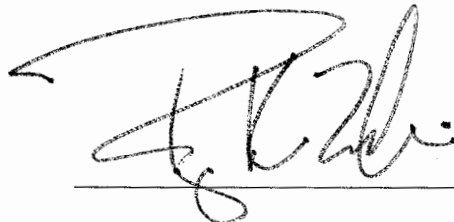
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**CERTIFICATION STATEMENT:** I hereby certify that the Royalty Policy Committee is necessary, is in the public interest, and is established under the authority of the Secretary of the Interior, in support of greater transparency in creating royalty and leasing policy for mineral production on Federal and Tribal lands.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. Appendix 2.

MAR 29 2017

Date

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Ryan K. Zinke  
Secretary, Department of the Interior

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**To:** Danielle Brian <dbrian@pogo.org>, Veronika Kohler <VKohler@nma.org>  
**Subject:** Co-Chairs Meeting

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*Gregory J. Gould*

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*Director  
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**CC:** Veronika Kohler <VKohler@nma.org>  
**Subject:** Re: Co-Chairs Meeting

I'm getting guidance from my colleagues on a 3pm call today and will let you know

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**Subject:** USEITI For Review: Non-Energy Mineral Draft Addition

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Thanks so much!

Best,  
Luke

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The cochairs never agreed to this inclusion. We did not discuss any business our last meeting.

What is the expectation?

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**CC:** Danielle Brian <[dbrian@pogo.org](mailto:dbrian@pogo.org)>

**Subject:**

Re: USEITI For Review: Non-Energy Mineral Draft Addition

At the last MSG meeting we approved the 3 additions as concepts that the IA would work on. The discussion at that meeting focused on the need for more information before a final decision would be made about including each of them. This is the draft for the sector's to review and comment on, and then the co-chairs will make the final decision on including them in our 3rd report at the end of the year.

I'll be in DC next week and invited both of you to a Co-Chairs meeting so that we can sort things out and discuss next steps.

Thanks,

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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*Director*

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Hi all,

We've wrapped up the draft of the non-energy mineral addition and would love your feedback. Please share with appropriate sector members who might be interested in providing feedback as well. As usual, we'd like feedback within in the next two weeks and **we will need any comments by Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**. Please send your feedback to Kim Oliver. She'll be gathering it for us to implement.

Thanks so much!

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# Non-Energy Minerals Addition

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# Non-Energy Minerals Addition (1/4)

To better understand the non-energy mining industry in the United States, this section highlights four metals: lead, zinc, silver, and molybdenum. This information builds upon three in-scope metals (copper, gold, and iron).

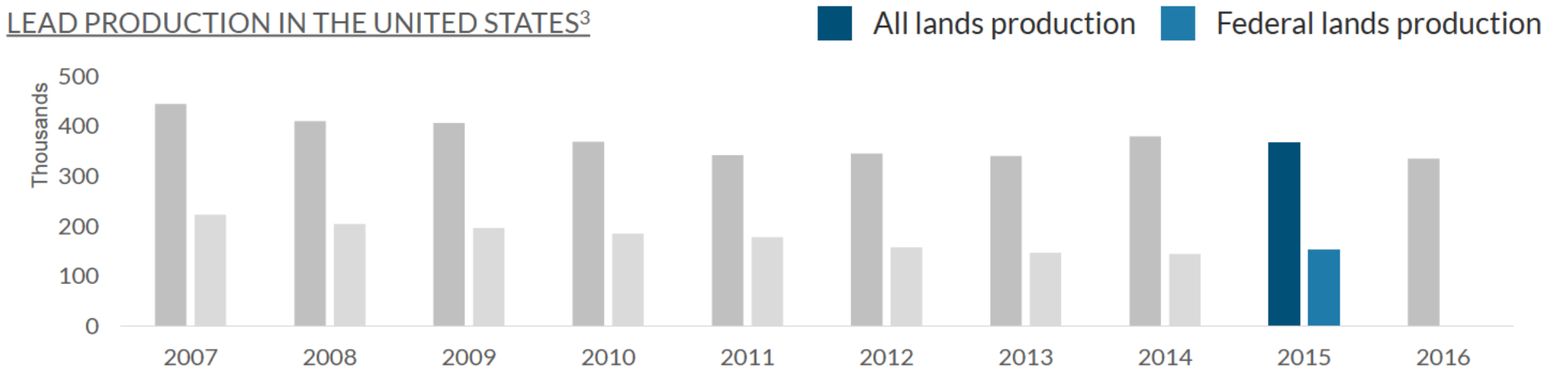
## Lead

### Overview

Lead is a corrosion,-resistant, dense, ductile, and malleable metal. The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) estimates that over 2 billion tons of unmined lead exists in the world. Used by humans for at least the last 5,000 years, environmental and health concerns surrounding its use led to environmental regulations that have reduced or eliminated the use of lead in almost all non-battery products. Today, industry predominantly uses lead for lead-acid storage products. In 2016, these batters accounted for 85% of lead consumption. You can [read about lead at the USGS lead page](#).<sup>1</sup>

### Production

In 2016, the U.S. produced an estimated 335,000 metric tons of lead, the third most in the world behind China and Australia. The U.S. accounted for 7.0% of the world’s 2016 production. Eleven mines produce lead in the United States, 6 in Missouri and 5 spread between Alaska, Idaho, and Washington.<sup>2</sup>



In 2015, the U.S. produced **367,000 tons of lead on all lands**. Of that, **152,928 tons (42%) of production occurred on federal lands**.

### Industry Overview

2016 production was valued at \$665 million and the price per pound averaged \$0.90 on the North American market and \$0.81 on the London Metal Exchange. Producers and consumers maintained stocks of 50,000 tons and consumed 1,540,000 tons in 2016.<sup>4</sup>

### Economic Impact

**Imports & Exports:** U.S. lead producers export almost all of their lead as the U.S. no longer has any primary refineries. In 2016, the U.S. exported 320,000 tons of lead, 96% of overall production. The U.S. imported minimal to zero lead the last five years.<sup>5</sup>

**Jobs & Wages:** In 2016, the USGS estimated that lead mines employed 1,800 people. This includes both lead and lead-zinc mines where lead was either a principal product or a significant byproduct. The Bureau of Labor Statistics tracks lead and zinc mining together and estimated that in 2015 mining for the two metals occurred at 15 establishments nationwide employing 2,724 people. Zinc and lead mining averaged \$211,949,660 in total annual wages and \$77,799 in annual wages per employee. <sup>6</sup>

**Costs: Water:** Lead mining and waste from lead mining can pose risks to human health and the environment through water contamination. In Missouri, the largest producer of lead in the United States, sixty counties have been identified by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as having possible impacts from lead mining, milling, smelting, and transportation. Lead in drinking water primarily comes from pipes and service lines, but in [Missouri groundwater has also been found to have lead contamination due to natural lead deposits and past and present mining](#).<sup>7</sup>

**Reclamation:** States regulate hardrock mining reclamation. Generally, states require current mines to be reclaimed as mining operations occur and for mine operators to post a bond to secure that reclamation. At the federal level, four agencies work to reclaim previously abandoned hardrock mines: Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Forest Service, the EPA, and Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement. [Read more about hardrock mine reclamation on federal lands from the GAO](#). EPA’s work includes [the Annapolis Lead Mine site](#) and [the Big River Mine Tailing/St. Joe Minerals Corp. site](#), both in Missouri.<sup>8</sup>

No information could be found on costs related to transportation and emergency medical services specific to lead mining.



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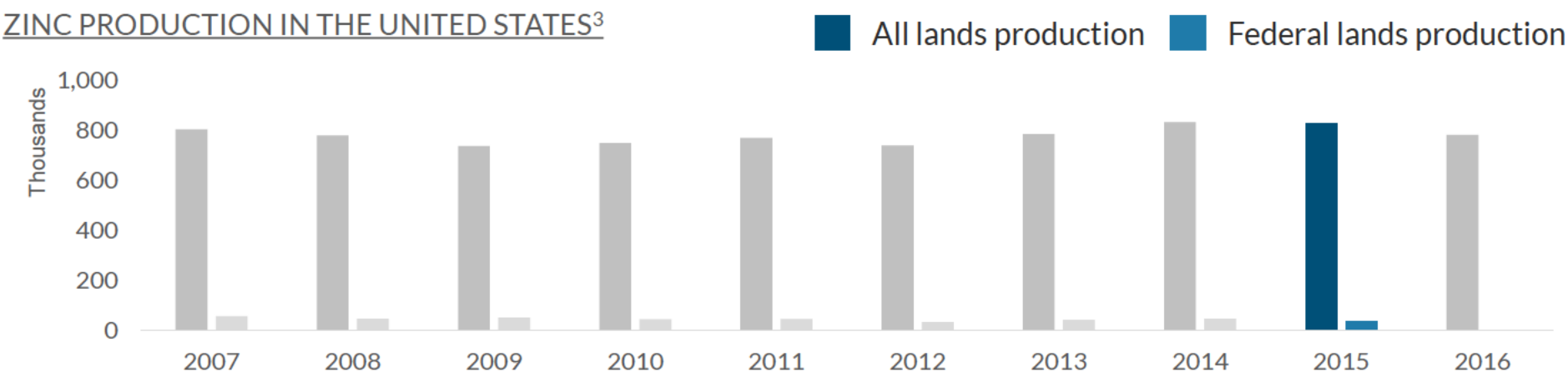
## Zinc

### Overview

Lead is the principal ore mineral in the world and the 23<sup>rd</sup> most abundant element in the earth’s crust. The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) estimates that 1.9 billion tons of unmined zinc exists in the world. Integral to modern living, zinc can be found in a range of items from metal products to rubber and medicines. Three quarters of zinc consumed goes into metal products. This is largely to protect iron and steel from corrosion, but also to make bronze and brass. The other quarter is used by the rubber, chemical, paint, and agricultural industries. You can [read about zinc at the USGS zinc page](#).<sup>1</sup>

### Production

Zinc is the fourth most-produced metal in the world. In 2016, the U.S. produced an estimated 780,000 metric tons of lead, the fourth most in the world behind China, Peru, and Australia. The U.S. accounted for 6.6% of the world’s 2016 production. Twelve mines in 5 different states produced zinc in the United States.<sup>2</sup>



In 2015, the U.S. produced **780,000 tons of zinc on all lands**. Of that, **37,193 tons (5%) of production occurred on federal lands**.

### Industry Overview

The price per pound for zinc averaged \$0.99 on the North American market and \$0.99 on the London Metal Exchange. Stocks and total value of production for zinc was not reported.<sup>4</sup>

### Economic Impact

**Imports & Exports:** U.S. demand for zinc consumed almost all domestic production in 2016. In 2016, the U.S. exported roughly 500 metric tons and has imported minimal to zero lead the last five years.<sup>5</sup>

**Jobs & Wages:** In 2016, the USGS estimated that zinc mines employed 2,320 people. The Bureau of Labor Statistics tracks lead and zinc mining together and estimated that in 2015 mining for the two metals occurred at 15 establishments nationwide employing 2,724 people. Zinc and lead mining averaged \$211,949,660 in total annual wages and \$77,799 in annual wages per employee.<sup>6</sup>

**Costs: Water:** Zinc mining, particularly the effluents from the mining, can contaminate water quality. As such mines go through permitting, water quality may be monitored, and violations may be subject to remedial action. For example, the [State of Washington provides information about the permitting and clean up for the Pend Oreille Zinc Mine](#) in their state. In Alaska, [the Alaska Department of Fish and Game conducts biomonitoring studies of streams as part of the wastewater discharge permit for the Red Dog Zinc Mine](#).<sup>7</sup>

**Reclamation:** States regulate hardrock mining reclamation. Generally, states require current mines to be reclaimed as mining operations occur and for mine operators to post a bond to secure that reclamation. For example, the [Red Dog Zinc Mine](#) in Alaska posted a \$558M reclamation bond with the State of Alaska. At the federal level, four agencies work to reclaim previously abandoned hardrock mines: Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Forest Service, the EPA, and Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement. [Read more about hardrock mine reclamation on federal lands from the GAO](#). EPA’s work includes Superfund sites related to zinc such as the [Eagle Mine site in Colorado](#) and the [Callahan Mining Corp site in Maine](#).<sup>8</sup>

No information could be found on costs associated with transportation and emergency medical services related to zinc mining.

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## Silver

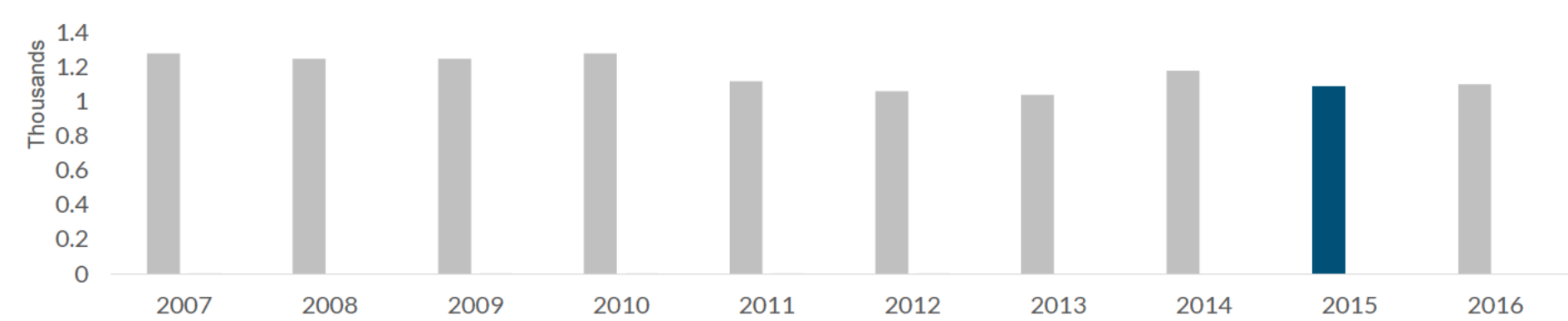
### Overview

Silver is a metal that has been used for thousands of years. Today industry uses it in a variety of applications since it has the highest optical reflectivity, highest thermal and electrical conductivity, and whitest color of all metals. This makes it particularly useful in the production of mirrors, electrical and electronic products, and photography. Its estimated domestic uses today break into 30% electrical and electronics, 27% coins and medals, 7% jewelry and silverware, 6% photography, and 30% other. It The amount of silver still existing in the world is unknown given that miners predominantly recover it as a byproduct. You can [read more about silver at USGS silver page](#).<sup>1</sup>

### Production

In 2016, the U.S. produced an estimated 1,100 tons of zinc with an estimated \$570M in value. The U.S. produced the 9<sup>th</sup> most silver in the world, though only 400 tons less than the third largest producer. Mexico and China produced the first and second largest amounts of silver, respectively. The U.S. accounted for 4% of the world’s 2016 production. U.S. production occurred at 3 dedicated silver mines and at 37 mines where silver is recovered as a byproduct or coproduct. Alaska led states in production and Nevada produced the second largest amount.<sup>2</sup>

SILVER PRODUCTION IN THE UNITED STATES<sup>3</sup>      ■ All lands production      ■ Federal lands production



In 2015, the U.S. produced **1,100 tons of silver on all lands**. No data exists for production of gold and silver on federal lands.

### Industry Overview

The price per troy ounce for silver averaged \$19.62. 2016 saw the price of silver increase due to industrial demand, investment demand from economic and political uncertainty, and the rising price of gold. Industry held 150 metric tons in stock, the Treasury Department 498 metric tons, and the NY Commodity Exchange (COMEX) 5,600 tons.<sup>4</sup>

### Economic Impact

**Imports & Exports:** The U.S. imported 6,300 metric tons of silver in 2016, predominantly from Mexico (48%) and Canada (32%). It exported 850 metric tons.<sup>5</sup>

**Jobs & Wages:** In 2016, the USGS estimated that zinc mines employed 785 people. The Bureau of Labor Statistics estimated that in 2015 mining for silver occurred at 24 establishments nationwide employing 1,634 people. Silver mining averaged \$154,856,177 in total annual wages and \$94,776 in annual wages per employee.<sup>6</sup>

**Costs: Water:** Silver mining and its effluents and tailings can pose risk to water quality and requires permitting, monitoring, and occasionally remediation. For example, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game and Hecla Greens Creek Mining Company [conduct fresh water monitoring and biomonitoring at the Greens Creek Mine in Alaska](#).<sup>7</sup>

**Reclamation:** States regulate hardrock mining reclamation. Generally, states require current mines to be reclaimed as mining operations occur and for mine operators to post a bond to secure that reclamation. The Alaska Department of Natural Resources [provides information on reclamation bonds for the Greens Creek Mine](#), a large silver mine on Admiralty Island National Monument. The [Nevada Division of Environmental Protection maintains information on reclamation permits for silver mines in the Comstock Mining District](#). At the federal level, four agencies work to reclaim previously abandoned hardrock mines: Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Forest Service, the EPA, and Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement. [Read more about hardrock mine reclamation on federal lands from the GAO](#). The BLM’s work includes partnering with the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation to reclaim the [Bayhorse Mine in Idaho](#). EPA’s work includes Superfund sites related to silver such as the [Silver Mountain Mine site in Washington](#) and the [Bunker Hill Mining and Metallurgical site in Idaho](#).<sup>8</sup>

No information could be found on costs associated with transportation and emergency medical services related to silver mining.



# Non-Energy Minerals Addition (4/4)

## Molybdenum

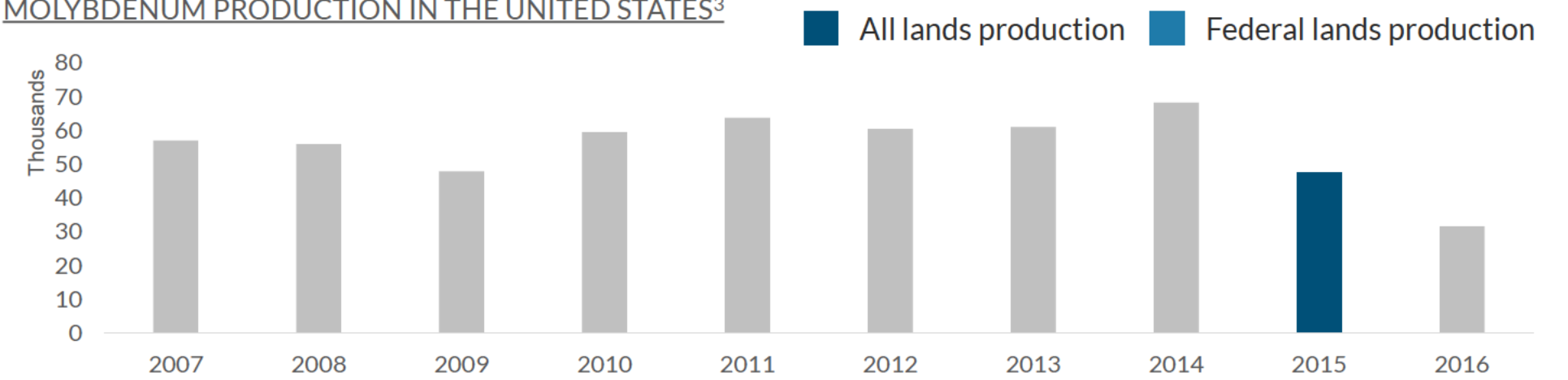
### Overview

Molybdenum is a refractory metallic element used as an alloying agent in steel, cast iron, and superalloys to enhance hardenability, strength, toughness, and wear and corrosion resistance. It plays a versatile and significant role in industrial technology and is also used in chemical applications such as catalysts, lubricants, and pigments. An estimated 5.4 million unmined tons exist in the U.S. and 14 million tons in the rest of the whole world. You can [read more about molybdenum at the USGS molybdenum page](#).<sup>1</sup>

### Production

In 2016, the U.S. produced 31,600 tons of molybdenum valued at about \$458M. The current decline in production has been attributed to weak prices currently. Two mines in Colorado produce molybdenum as a primary product and 7 copper mines produce molybdenum as a byproduct (4 in Arizona, 1 each in Montana, Nevada, and Utah). The U.S. produced the third most molybdenum in the world, after China and Chile, and accounted for 14% of global production.<sup>2</sup>

MOLYBDENUM PRODUCTION IN THE UNITED STATES<sup>3</sup>



In 2015, the U.S. produced **31,600 tons of molybdenum on all lands**. No data exists for production of molybdenum on federal lands.

### Industry Overview

The price per kilogram for molybdenum averages \$15.01 in 2015 and an estimated \$14.00 in 2016. 1,800 metric tons were held in stock in the United States.<sup>4</sup>

### Economic Impact

**Imports & Exports:** The U.S. imported 20,800 metric tons in 2016, 77% of them from Chile. It exported 35,000 metric tons.<sup>5</sup>

**Jobs & Wages:** In 2016, the USGS estimated that zinc mines employed 920 people. The Bureau of Labor Statistics does not track employment data related to molybdenum production in the United States.<sup>6</sup>

**Costs: Reclamation:** States regulate hardrock mining reclamation. Generally, states require current mines to be reclaimed as mining operations occur and for mine operators to post a bond to secure that reclamation. At the federal level, four agencies work to reclaim previously abandoned hardrock mines: Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Forest Service, the EPA, and Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement. [Read more about hardrock mine reclamation on federal lands from the GAO](#). EPA’s work includes Superfund sites related to molybdenum such as the [Chevron Questa Mine site in New Mexico](#).<sup>7</sup>

No information could be found on costs associated with water, transportation, and emergency medical services related to molybdenum mining.

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Perfect, thanks!!

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Nevertheless, I added another sentence.

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While we celebrate this significant milestone, we are already hearing concern from various NGOs and need to anticipate their efforts to change the direction we are taking.

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**Sent:** Wed Mar 22 2017 09:07:49 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** Greg Gould <greg.gould@onrr.gov>  
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Thanks though I must admit that we are even more confused now when we put all the DOI messages alongside each other. I must admit that I am not surprised that senator Cardin and others have concluded that USG in effect have ended implementation. And the lack of USG

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Best wishes,

Jonas

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Yes, please call my cell (b) (6) I think what you are seeing is that we are trying to come up with next steps in a very uncertain environment. No doors are closed and I'm open to hearing from all sector as well as all of you.

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Hello and good morning USEITI MSG:

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MULTI-STAKEHOLDER GROUP ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
FEBRUARY 1, 2017**

**SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
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**I. Introduction**

The U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI), with Judy Wilson presiding as acting Designated Federal Official (DFO), convened the nineteenth meeting of the U.S. Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (USEITI) Multi-Stakeholder Group Advisory Committee (MSG) on February 1, 2017, in Washington, DC.

The purpose of the meeting was to receive updates from the Independent Administrator on various aspects of developing the online report and executive summary for the 2017 USEITI Report and how to move forward with these; receive updates on the work of the Implementation, Communications, and State and Tribal Opt-in Subcommittees; and discuss the prospects for proceeding with mainstreaming of USEITI reporting into US government processes and the inclusion of project-level reporting in USEITI Reports. The MSG opted not to cover all of these items after the Co-Chairs agreed to accelerate the MSG's work and adjourn the meeting after one day rather than hold a two-day meeting, as originally planned. Please see the "Adjustment of Meeting Schedule and Agenda" section on page 6 for additional information.

Please note that, throughout this meeting summary, comments made by presenters, Independent Administrator team members, other non-MSG members, and those directly pertaining to an MSG decision are attributed to specific speakers. Other comments are provided without attribution in order to foster open discussion among MSG members excepting final deliberations prior to specific MSG decisions.

Interested parties are asked to contact USEITI at [useiti@ios.doi.gov](mailto:useiti@ios.doi.gov) or 202-208-0272 with any questions, comments, or concerns regarding the content of this meeting summary.

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## II. Summary of Endorsements, Decisions, Approvals, and Action Items

### A. Endorsements

- No endorsements were made by the MSG at the February 2017 MSG meeting.

### B. Decisions

- The MSG decided to move forward with the Implementing Subcommittee’s recommendation to forego independent reconciliation of revenues by the Independent Administrator for the 2017 USEITI Report. *(see page 9)*
- The MSG decided to use and move forward with the proposed reporting template for 2017. *(see page 10)*
- The MSG decided to have the USEITI Secretariat work to add material for the 2017 USEITI Report about US audit and assurance procedures and for the USEITI Secretariat to make a “good faith effort” to include information about “the life of a lease” in the 2017 USEITI Report. *(see page 14)*

### C. Approvals

- The MSG approved the November 2016 MSG meeting summary. *(see page 5)*
- The MSG approved the motion to have the Implementation Committee decide on which dataset source (Bureau of Labor Statistics or Census Bureau) to use to provide information for employment by commodity. *(see page 12)*
- The MSG approved the motion to have the Implementation Committee decide on which two additional visualizations (between additional metals, forestry, and renewable energy) to include in the 2017 USEITI Report, along with a visualization about employment by commodity *(see page 14)*.

### D. Confirmations

- No confirmations were made by the MSG at the February 2017 MSG meeting.

### E. Action Items

- **Co-Chairs:**
  - Review and distribute meeting summary from the February 2017 MSG meeting to MSG members.
  - Develop agenda for the June 2017 MSG meeting.
- **Implementation Subcommittee**

- Decide on which dataset source (Bureau of Labor Statistics or Census Bureau) to use to provide information for employment by commodity. *(see page 12)*
- Decide on which two additional visualizations (between additional metals, forestry, and renewable energy) to include in the 2017 USEITI Report, along with a visualization about employment by commodity *(see page 14)*
- **USEITI Secretariat:**
  - Work to create supplemental material for the 2017 USEITI Report about US audit and assurance procedures. *(see page 14)*
  - Make a “good faith effort” to include information about “the life of a lease” in the 2017 USEITI Report. *(see page 14)*
  - MSG decisions will be recorded in an updated MSG Decision Matrix by the Secretariat. *(see page 16)*
- **Independent Administrator (Deloitte)**
  - Integrate the beneficial ownership reporting template into the main reporting form. *(see page 10)*
  - Flesh out the contours of the following topics: additional metals, forestry, and renewable energy, and present these to the Implementation Subcommittee for decision-making regarding which visualizations to include in the 2017 USEITI Report. *(see page 14)*
- **Acting Designated Federal Office**
  - Review the MSG terms of reference and consider how to ensure adherence to those in future MSG meetings. *(see page 16)*
- **USEITI Process Facilitator (Consensus Building Institute)**
  - Create a meeting summary for the February 2017 MSG meeting.

### III. Presentations and Key Discussions

Judy Wilson, U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI), presiding as acting Designated Federal Official for the USEITI MSG, opened the meeting and welcomed participants. All individuals in attendance introduced themselves. A full attendance list can be found in Section VI – Meeting Participants, page 16.

#### A. Opening Remarks

Ms. Wilson provided opening remarks by noting that the transition to the new presidential administration had begun. Congressional consideration of the nomination for the new Secretary of the Interior, Ryan Zinke, is underway. She also noted that, although there has been discussion and media coverage about possible Congressional action on regulations under Section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank Act, at the time of the MSG meeting, the regulations are still in effect.

Danielle Brian, Project on Government Oversight and civil society organization (CSO) sector co-chair, also read out an opening statement on behalf of the CSO sector. In that

statement, Ms. Brian called on the industry and government sector representatives on the MSG to speak out publicly in favor of the Section 1504 rule in order to help persuade Congress to retain the rule. The CSO statement also formally requested that the DFO remove the American Petroleum Institute from holding a seat on the USEITI MSG. The full text of Ms. Brian's comments is provided in Appendix A, available on page 19 of this meeting summary.

## **B. USEITI MSG Business**

The MSG conducted the following items of business during the course of the MSG meeting.

### **1. Terminology and USEITI December 2015 Meeting Summary**

Judy Wilson, USEITI Secretariat, reminded meeting participants that the MSG has agreed to employ three terms to differentiate between different types of actions that the MSG takes:

- "Decisions" will indicate significant actions and agreements by the MSG key to meeting EITI international standards.
- "Approvals" will indicate lower-level decisions by the MSG, such as approving work plans, meeting summaries, process changes or additions, etc.
- "Confirmations" will confirm decisions that the MSG has previously made.

The MSG approved the meeting summary of the November 2016 MSG meeting, with some corrections provided by MSG members. A copy of the final, approved meeting summary is available online at: [https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti\\_msg\\_-\\_nov\\_2016\\_mtg\\_summary\\_0.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti_msg_-_nov_2016_mtg_summary_0.pdf)

- **Approval: The MSG approved the meeting summary from the November 2016 USEITI MSG meeting.**

### **2. Preview of March 2017 International EITI Board Meeting**

Greg Gould, government sector co-chair, explained that the March 8-9 meeting of the EITI Board would cover a number of topics important for USEITI, including mainstreaming, the beneficial ownership roadmap that USEITI submitted in December 2016, and an open data policy for EITI. Mr. Gould invited Micah Watson of Department of State to provide additional comments about the upcoming EITI board meeting.

A MSG member from the civil society sector inquired of Mr. Gould about how mainstreaming would work without regulations in place under Section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank Act, by which companies would be required to disclose their corporate income tax payments.

Micah Watson, US Department of State, introduced himself and noted that he works under Ambassador Mary Warlick, a member of the EITI International Board. He explained that the EITI Board has spent much of the past year focusing on internal



governance and finances and that it would shift its focus to validation of EITI countries in 2017. Almost half of the implementing countries will be undergoing validation during the next 18 months. He added that a number of new countries would also be submitting their applications to join EITI during coming months.

A MSG member from the civil society sector inquired of Mr. Watson about the implications of the resource curse for US foreign policy as well as the reaction in other countries when the United States opts not to follow international norms. In response, Mr. Watson offered that the State Department does believe in the efficacy of EITI and other transparency initiatives in combating the resource curse in many countries. He also noted that there was broad support internationally for the regulations promulgated under Section 1504 and that there appears to be much concern globally about the direction that the US may be taking in the possible rescission of those regulations.

### **3. Adjustment of Meeting Schedule and Agenda**

During the lunch break on February 1, the Co-Chairs and acting DFO conferred and agreed that the deliberations in Congress around the Section 1504 regulations and the prospect that these would be disapproved had introduced significant uncertainty and upheaval into the MSG meeting. Following lunch, Ms. Wilson, the acting DFO, announced that the remainder of the meeting on February 1 would focus on critical-path decisions that are required by the MSG for production of the 2017 USEITI Report. Additional agenda items, such as updates from the Communications and State and Tribal Opt-in Subcommittees, would be postponed and the second day of the MSG meeting would not be needed given the truncated agenda per unanimous decision of the Co-Chairs.

In response to a request from MSG members representing the CSO sector that MSG members from their sector who had called into the meeting be allowed to participate in MSG discussions, Ms. Wilson, acting DFO, clarified that the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) requires that MSG members be physically present at the MSG meeting in order to be considered MSG members. Members of the MSG who call into the meeting over the phone are considered members of the public.

Ms. Wilson also announced that public comments would be accepted in writing in lieu of holding an open, verbal public comment period, as is permissible under the Federal Advisory Committee Act. She requested that commenters send their comments to the following email address: [useiti@ios.doi.gov](mailto:useiti@ios.doi.gov). The reason behind this decision was the agenda for the two day meeting was compressed to one day and because MSG discussion and decision making in the second half of the day would occur after the previously scheduled mid-day public comment period.

## **C. MSG Discussions Regarding Congressional Recission of Regulations under Section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank Act**

MSG members discussed a variety of issues related to the Section 1504 regulations, their role in USEITI, and the implications for USEITI if Congress disapproves the regulations.

### **1. Relevance of Section 1504 Regulations for USEITI**

CSO representatives stated that the rules promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) under Section 1504 are fundamental to the future of the USEITI. Without this rule, there will be no possibility of corporate tax reporting and therefore no possibility for validation under the international EITI Standard. The MSG needs to address this issue head on.

An industry sector representative stated that the industry sector has worked very hard to help implement USEITI, resulting in the creation of a very useful website [the USEITI report]. The MSG's role is to provide information to the American public, not to litigate policy questions over which its members have no control. If the CSO sector feels that there is no value to USEITI beyond corporate tax reporting, then the MSG should discuss that.

Members of the CSO sector agreed that the USEITI website is an advancement and success, and that USEITI has important work together, but that USEITI will be far short of meeting the purpose of EITI, which is revenue transparency, without inclusion of information about corporate income tax payments and project-level reporting.

### **2. The Role of USEITI MSG Members in Decision-Making Around Section 1504 Regulations**

CSO representatives suggested that there are serious questions and concerns about whether members of the industry sector are participating in USEITI in good faith around this particular issue of tax reporting. CSO members asked that members of the industry sector on the MSG need to speak up about whether they support Congressional efforts to repeal rulemaking under Section 1504. CSO members noted that they are frustrated that there are members of the industry sector who have been taking credit for corporate social responsibility and transparency efforts by virtue of their participation in USEITI while, in the CSO's view, behind the scenes they have been lobbying and litigating to undermine the Section 1504 rules.

Both industry and government sector representative voiced that USEITI MSG members could not influence Congressional decision-making around the Section 1504 regulations and that the USEITI MSG should focus on implementing USEITI. CSO representatives pushed back against this assertion. The CSO representatives noted that many of the largest oil and gas companies in the US and the world have representatives on the MSG and that these companies hold significant influence in Congress.

A member of the industry sector noted that his company has supported the implementation of the Dodd-Frank Act, including Section 1504, but that the current regulations under that section are overly burdensome. This member's company supports fixing those regulations to make them easier for companies to comply with. Additional representatives of the industry sector also articulated support for transparency as long as it does not place undue burden on companies.

Civil society members urged their colleagues in the industry and government sectors to join them in speaking in a united voice, as the USEITI MSG, in support of retaining the current Section 1504 rules. The united voice of the MSG could persuade Congress to retain the rules. The Government sector reminded members that the executive branch and its functions, like FACAs, are prohibited from lobbying Congress.

Industry sector representatives articulated their understanding that the Congressional Review Act (CRA, through which Congress is considering rescinding the Section 1504 regulations) would not eliminate the Dodd-Frank Act, including Section 1504. Rather, the SEC would have to come up with new regulations under Section 1504. An industry sector representative suggested that it would have been beneficial if the SEC had taken industry comments and suggestions more fully into account during the rule-making process.

In response to the industry sector representatives, a civil society representative explained that the CRA prohibits the introduction of another rule that is "substantially similar" to the disapproved regulation. She also noted that President Trump has released an executive order mandating that each agency eliminate two regulations for each new regulation they put in place. She suggested that, as a result, there will not be meaningful regulations enacted under Section 1504 if the CRA action is signed by the President.

### **3. Implications for USEITI of Congressional Disapproval of Section 1504 Regulations**

CSO representatives requested that the government sector speak about whether the government sees a future for USEITI without the Section 1504 rules.

A government sector representative explained that the US Department of the Interior (DOI) works with other federal departments and agencies to implement laws and regulations that are in place. At the present moment, the rules under Section 1504 are still in place. The speaker also noted that USEITI began its efforts well before the Section 1504 regulations were put in place and that there would continue to be policy and regulatory uncertainty as part of the larger context in which USEITI exists. As such, USEITI's role is to continue to try to enhance transparency, regardless of the larger policy context.

Government sector representatives noted that there have been significant changes in the EITI Standard in the years since the United States decided to join EITI and that the EITI Board continues to examine whether the requirements are reasonable and feasible for countries to comply with. The EITI International Board increasingly seems to be moving towards a model of “meaningful improvement,” rather than a strict pass-fail metric, for countries seeking validation of their EITI reports. Considering this, USEITI has an excellent case for “mainstreaming” of its reporting under the EITI framework and also has good prospects for validation.

A CSO representative responded that USEITI will not have a path to “meaningful improvement” on corporate income tax reporting without the Section 1504 regulations.

#### **D. Implementation Subcommittee Updates and Discussion**

The MSG considered a proposed approach for company revenue reporting and reconciliation for the 2017 report brought forward by the Implementation Subcommittee.

##### **1. Reporting and Reconciliation of Company Revenues**

Judy Wilson and Bob Kronebusch of ONRR presented information about the work of the Reporting Improvement Workgroup. Ms. Wilson focused her comments on a day-long workshop that the workgroup held on January 11 in Denver, Colorado. Ms. Wilson reviewed the workshop participants, objectives, and agenda, and presented the workgroup’s recommendations to the MSG about how to proceed with company revenue reporting and reconciliation in 2017 and beyond. Additional detail about the workshop is available at:

[https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/improving\\_reporting\\_workshop\\_1\\_11\\_2017\\_final.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/improving_reporting_workshop_1_11_2017_final.pdf).

Additionally, Bob Kronebusch, ONRR, provided an update on the workgroup’s analysis of the gaps between existing controls and verification of extractives industries revenue payments to the US federal government and EITI requirements for reconciliation. Mr. Kronebusch reviewed the approach taken by the workgroup, the gaps identified, and the ways in which federal and company audit and assurance standards surpass EITI standards. Additional detail about the workgroup’s work is available at:

[https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/rptg\\_imp\\_wg\\_presentation\\_final\\_1-30-17.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/rptg_imp_wg_presentation_final_1-30-17.pdf).

Following the presentations, Dan Dudis, Public Citizen, thanked Ms. Wilson and expressed support for the workgroup’s proposed approach of conducting reconciliation via “mainstreaming of EITI reporting” rather than performing an independent reconciliation of revenues for USEITI by the Independent Administrator as this would avoid duplication of work. Mike Matthews, State of Wyoming, noted that states and

tribes also conduct compliance reviews in addition to the federal and company audits and reviews surveyed by the workgroup.

In response to a question from Aaron Padilla, American Petroleum Institute, Mr. Kronebusch suggested that the gaps identified by the workgroup are likely a combination of procedural gaps and more substantive gaps in the controls.

David Romig, Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas, and Paul Bugala, George Washington University, noted that Section 4.9 of the EITI Standard specifies that auditing and reconciliation must either be performed by the independent administrator or the independent administrator must be convinced that the process is sufficiently robust. They suggested that the trustworthiness of the auditing processes undertaken by governments and companies will need to be demonstrated to the EITI Board for these to meet the EITI Standard.

Mr. Padilla suggested that USEITI also compare US auditing processes to emerging standards from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and other similar standards.

The MSG decided to move forward with the Reporting Improvement Workgroup's and Implementation Subcommittee's recommendation to forego independent reconciliation of revenues by the Independent Administrator for the 2017 USEITI Report.

- **Decisions: The MSG decided to forego independent reconciliation of revenues by the Independent Administrator for the 2017 USEITI Report to avoid duplication and increase efficiency.**

## **E. Independent Administrator's Updates**

Members of the Independent Administrator (IA) team from Deloitte provided updates on the reporting template for the 2017 USEITI Report and on the topics that could be included as visualizations in the 2017 report.

These updates and accompanying MSG discussions are summarized below.

### **1. Reporting Template for 2017 USEITI Report**

Alex Klepacz, Independent Administrator team member from Deloitte, presented a proposed reporting template for company revenue reporting for the 2017 USEITI Report. The proposed reporting template is available at:

[https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti\\_reporting\\_template\\_-\\_20170117\\_-\\_draft.xlsx](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti_reporting_template_-_20170117_-_draft.xlsx) and draft reporting guidelines are available at: [https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti\\_reporting\\_template\\_guidelines\\_-\\_20170117\\_-\\_draft\\_1.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti_reporting_template_guidelines_-_20170117_-_draft_1.pdf). A draft template for declaring beneficial ownership information is available at: [https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/draft-model-beneficial-ownership-declaration-form\\_1.xlsx](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/draft-model-beneficial-ownership-declaration-form_1.xlsx).

Veronika Kohler, National Mining Association and Industry Sector Co-Chair, noted that the MSG has already approved a roadmap for disclosing information about beneficial ownership of publicly traded companies and inquired as to how this would be reported by companies. Mr. Gould suggested that the reporting template around beneficial ownership be included in the main reporting form even though it would only apply to publicly traded companies.

In response to a question from Mr. Matthews, Mr. Klepacz clarified that the reporting template would also ask companies to report payor codes, as they have in previous years of USEITI.

Mr. Padilla commented that the industry sector anticipates that there may be a high degree of variability in companies' approach to reporting for the 2017 report in terms of the degree to which companies aggregate or break out information and classify revenue streams. Some companies may provide very detailed information due to having compiled it for other reporting requirements, such as the EU directive.

The MSG approved the proposed reporting template for 2017.

➤ **Decisions: The MSG approved the proposed reporting template for 2017.**

## **2. 2017 Topics and Visualizations**

Luke Hawbaker, Independent Administrator team member from Deloitte, presented about possible additions that the MSG could choose to make to the contextual narrative portion of the 2017 USEITI Report. Mr. Hawbaker's slides are available at: [https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/2017\\_useiti\\_contextual\\_narrative\\_topics\\_msg\\_presentation\\_updated\\_1.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/2017_useiti_contextual_narrative_topics_msg_presentation_updated_1.pdf).

Responding to questions from MSG members, Ms. Wilson explained that USEITI has included three additional visualizations in its scope of work with the Independent Administrator for 2017. Based on the MSG's prior discussions, the Independent Administrator is anticipating that one visualization will focus on employment by commodity, a second on US audit and assurance procedures, and a third topic is to be determined by the MSG. These additional visualizations would be included in the report in 2017 and in future years. Ms. Kohler added that the Co-Chairs had proposed adding a "special highlight," either on forestry or on renewable energy, based on past MSG discussions.

MSG members discussed the criteria by which to make a decision about which topics and visualizations to add to the 2017 report. John Cassidy, IA team member from Deloitte, noted that the two criteria that the IA has been considering are: 1) increasing public engagement and interest in USEITI and 2) strengthening the case for USEITI validation with the International EITI Board. Ms. Kohler cautioned that the MSG does



not have a strong sense of what would interest the public since there has been limited public engagement with USEITI.

Following Mr. Hawbaker's presentation, the MSG discussed a variety of different options for additional content to include in the 2017 Report. The MSG's discussion is summarized below and organized by the different options considered with a final section focusing on the decisions made by the MSG to move forward.

**a)      *Employment by Commodity***

In response to requests by Mr. Hawbaker and Sarah Platts, Independent Administrator team member from Deloitte, to decide on whether to use data sets from the Bureau of Labor Statistics or from the US Census Bureau to present information about employment by commodity, Ms. Brian thanked Deloitte for their work and requested that CSO sector member Betsy Taylor be given more time to examine both data sets. Mr. Padilla requested that a note be included in the report indicating that the employment data only includes salaried and hourly employees not pass-through entities, sole proprietorships, and others.

The MSG opted to move forward with Mr. Gould's suggestion that the Implementation Committee consider and decide on which dataset to use to provide information for employment by commodity.

- **Approval: The MSG approved the motion to have the Implementation Committee decide on which dataset to use to provide information for employment by commodity.**

**b)      *Audit & Assurances***

Mr. Hawbaker provided an overview of existing content about the US audit and assurance process and of potential new content that could be added with the intention of strengthening USEITI's case for mainstreaming and foregoing independent reconciliation by the Independent Administrator. Mr. Bugala suggested that USEITI use an alternate term for "foregoing reconciliation," such as "not reconciling twice."

Ms. Brian raised the possibility of including the information that Mr. Kronebusch has developed about US audit and assurance processes in lieu of having the Independent Administrator create new content about this topic. Mr. Cassidy asked whether Mr. Kronebusch's material may be too complex for many members of the public to understand. In response, Ms. Brian suggested that information about audit and assurance procedures would likely be difficult for many members of the public to understand in any format.

Ms. Kohler suggested that including clear information about the US audit and assurance process in the USEITI report would also help to give the public more confidence in the audit process. Ms. Brian and Mr. Gould raised a concern that a visualization about the

audit and assurance process would not prove to be useful to the general public while also not providing the detailed information that well-informed parties would need to develop that additional confidence in the audit process.

Mr. Gould suggested that the USEITI Secretariat could put together information explaining US audit and assurance procedures for making the case to the EITI Board that USEITI does not need to reconcile revenues separately and redundantly through a Independent Administrator. Pursuing this path, the IA would not need to create additional content about this topic for the USEITI report nor a separate visualization from the one that was created last year.

**c) Additional Metals**

Keith Romig, United Steelworkers, suggested adding a “special highlight on additional metals” (such as silver, aluminum, lead, and zinc) because some MSG members are already knowledgeable about these commodities, in contrast to two other proposed “special highlights” – on forestry and on renewable energy. He also suggested that USEITI would likely need to expand its scope over time to include these additional metals, and possibly non-metal minerals.

Mr. Matthews suggested adding other commodities, such as trona, that are subject to federal royalty payments.

**d) The Life of a Lease**

Mr. Bugala suggested that additional information about the “life of a lease” be added to the contextual narrative, either in the form of a new visualization created by the Independent Administrator or by including material created by Mr. Kronebusch about federal leasing.

Ms. Wilson stated that the USEITI Secretariat and GSA 18F can try to include information about leasing in the 2017 Report but that this may be a challenge given limited time and resources. Mr. Bugala responded that if the Secretariat could make a good faith effort to include information about leasing in the 2017 Report then he does not need this topic to be considered for inclusion as an IA-produced visualization.

**e) Forestry**

Mr. Gould observed that USEITI has been discussing forestry for some time and has had challenges adding forestry representatives to the MSG. He suggested that adding a special highlight on forestry could provide information about forestry for relatively little effort while also stoking interest in including forestry in the scope of USEITI in a fuller way in the future.

**f) Renewable Energy**

Ms. Brian suggested that there exists much interest in the general public about renewable energy and the jobs being created in that industry, and so it may be beneficial to add a special highlight on renewable energy to the 2017 USEITI Report.

**g) The MSG's Decision-Making About Topics and Visualizations to Include**

Given the wide range of discussion and many topics under consideration for inclusion in the 2017 report, Ms. Kohler emphasized that rational criteria should be used to determine which topics would be included and that, if topics such as “additional metals” or the “life of a lease” are included, then the MSG would need to understand better what these topics would entail, as they have not been discussed much by the MSG in the past.

Mr. Bugala noted that having the Implementation Subcommittee consider issues of this nature before they come to the full MSG could streamline discussions during MSG meetings.

The MSG agreed to have the USEITI Secretariat work with GSA 18F to add material for the 2017 USEITI Report about the US audit and assurance procedures and for the USEITI Secretariat to make a “good faith effort” to include information about “the life of a lease” in the 2017 USEITI Report.

Mr. Cassidy suggested that the IA could further flesh out the contours of the following topics: additional metals, forestry, and renewable energy, and present these to the Implementation Subcommittee for decision-making.

- **Decision: The MSG decided to have the USEITI Secretariat work with GSA 18F to add material for the 2017 USEITI Report about US audit and assurance procedures and for the USEITI Secretariat to make a “good faith effort” to include information about “the life of a lease” in the 2017 USEITI Report.**
- **Approval: The MSG approved the motion to have the Implementation Committee decide on which two additional visualizations (between additional metals, forestry, and renewable energy) to include in the 2017 USEITI Report, along with a visualization about employment by commodity.**

**F. Project Level Reporting**

Mr. Kronebusch and Nathan Brannberg, DOI, presented information about project-level data disclosure and the process of requesting project-level data from the US Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR). They also presented about the types of data requested received by ONRR during FY2016. Additional information is available in Mr. Kronebusch's and Mr. Brannberg's presentation, available at: [https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/obtaining\\_project\\_level\\_info\\_from\\_onrr\\_final\\_1-30-17.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/obtaining_project_level_info_from_onrr_final_1-30-17.pdf).

In response to their presentation, an MSG member from the CSO sector pushed back on the assertion from Mr. Kronebusch and Mr. Brannberg that not many members of the public are interested in detailed data. She suggested, instead, that the public has lost

faith in the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) process and the difficulty in obtaining information.

#### **IV. Public Comments**

Public comments were accepted in written form for this MSG meeting, as described in the “Adjustment of Meeting Schedule and Agenda” section, on page 6 of this summary. Written public comments received are provided below.

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Thank you for making my comment part of the record.

***Jennifer Krill, Earthworks***

Extractive Industries Transparency should mean what it says. Unfortunately, by supporting the elimination of section 1504 of the Dodd Frank Act, even as it is being discussed over in the House of Representatives today, it is clear the MSG does not universally share the value of using financial transparency to eliminate corruption and promote best practices.

API's lobbying in support of 1504's repeal is a clear violation of our Terms of Reference. I want to express support for the statement made by CSO co-chair this morning calling for the removal of API from USEITI, a view we would hold with regard to any MSG members who oppose Section 1504. Any member company of API that has not publicly broken with API's position on 1504 should also not be part of USEITI.

Finally, it is inappropriate and disappointing to cancel public comments and unhealthy to limit public debate at today's MSG meeting.

## V. Wrap Up / Closing

Mr. Patrick Field, facilitator from the Consensus Building Institute, reviewed the action items and the decisions coming out of the MSG meeting. Decisions will be recorded in an updated MSG Decision Matrix by the USEITI Secretariat.

Keith Romig asked to read out a statement on behalf of the CSO sector. The facilitator noted that the co-chairs had determined to move forward beyond the 1504 discussion the late morning. Mr. Romig read the note expressing disappointment about the MSG eliminating the verbal public comment period during the MSG meeting and also about the inappropriateness of the American Petroleum Institute's participation on the USEITI MSG. The text of Romig's comments are provided in Appendix B, available on page 20 of this meeting summary.

Following Mr. Romig's comments, Ms. Kohler stated that the public comment period was not eliminated and requested that the DFO adhere strictly to FACA protocols in the future. She suggested that the MSG had been too easy going in allowing people to speak on behalf of MSG members, allowing for interruptions, and the like, but that this approach was being abused by certain sectors. In response, the Acting DFO offered to review the MSG terms of reference and adhere to those.

Several members of the CSO sector raised their placards and requested to respond to Ms. Kohler's comments. The Acting DFO adjourned the meeting at this time.

## VI. Meeting Participants

The following is a list of attendees from the February 1, 2017 USEITI MSG meeting.

Chaired by Judy Wilson, Acting Designated Federal Officer, for the USEITI Advisory Committee, US Department of the Interior.

### A. Participating Primary Committee Members

#### Civil Society

Danielle Brian, Project on Government Oversight, USEITI MSG Advisory Committee Co-Chair

Paul Bugala, American University

Lynda Farrell, Pipeline Safety Coalition

Keith Romig Jr., United Steelworkers

Veronica Slajer, North Star Group

#### Government

Curtis Carlson, Department of the Treasury

Greg Gould, Department of the Interior, USEITI MSG Advisory Committee Co-Chair

Mike Matthews, State of Wyoming - Department of Audit/Mineral Audit Division

Mike Smith, Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission

Industry

Stella Alvarado, Anadarko Petroleum

Michael Blank, Peabody Energy

Susan Ginsberg, Independent Petroleum Association of America

Veronika Kohler, National Mining Association, USEITI MSG Advisory Committee Co-Chair

Johanna Nesseth, Chevron

**B. Committee Alternates in Attendance**

Civil Society

Daniel Dudis, Public Citizen

Zorka Milin, Global Witness

Government

Jim Steward, Department of the Interior

Industry

Aaron Padilla, American Petroleum Institute

David Romig, Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas

Nick Welch, Noble Energy Inc.

**C. Members of the Independent Administrator Team in Attendance**

John Cassidy, Deloitte

Luke Hawbaker, Deloitte

Alex Klepacz, Deloitte

Sarah Platts, Deloitte

**D. Government, MSG Members or Alternates via Phone, and Members of the Public in Attendance**

Rebecca Adamson, First Peoples Worldwide

Avery, Concerned Citizen

Joyce Aober, USGS

Sam Bartlett, EITI

Neil Brown, Lugar Center

David Chambers, Center for Science in Public Participation

Spencer King

Jennifer Krill, Earthworks

Mike LeVine, Oceana

Nicole Levine, Oceana

Laura Logan

Julie Maldonado, Livelihoods Knowledge Exchange Networks

Waseem Mardini, Publish What You Pay US

Aaron Mintzes, Earthworks

Sara Porter, Private Citizen



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Rosalie Satta, University of CA Santa Barbara  
Mia Steinle, Project on Government Oversight  
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Micah Watson, Department of State  
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### **VII. Documents Distributed**

Agenda ([PDF](#))  
November MSG Meeting Summary ([PDF](#))  
Meeting Notes from January 11th Improving Reporting Workshop ([PDF](#))  
Draft Reporting Template ([XLS](#))  
Draft Reporting Guidelines ([PDF](#))  
Template EITI Beneficial Ownership Declaration Form ([XLS](#))  
Communications Plan ([PDF](#))

## VIII. Appendix A

Opening comments provided by Daniel Brian on behalf of the CSO sector:

*Today the House and possibly the Senate are preparing to vote on whether to disapprove the Cardin-Lugar 1504 rule. As all of you who have been working on USEITI know, we have been waiting for months, years, for that rule to be finalized so that we could move forward with our work. 1504 is the cornerstone of USEITI and civil society vociferously objects to its gutting.*

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*I now ask our government and industry colleagues to please join me in expressing our opposition to the misguided effort to disapprove the rule. If any of the companies who have already supported the disclosure of taxes and project level reporting are willing to make their voices heard now, before the House and Senate vote, we might be able to prevent the loss of this anti-corruption measure.*

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*We know that Aaron has been working hard on USEITI and he is not personally responsible for the positions of his employer, but it is simply unacceptable for API to continue to benefit from the goodwill generated from their boasting of their participation in USEITI while at the same time actively working to directly undermine our success. As a result, civil society is formally requesting that the DFO remove API from the MSG.*

## IX. Appendix B

Comment made by Keith Romig:

*Just before I do [make a comment on behalf of the CSO sector] I'm going to make a statement on my own behalf as it's a shame that we ended up eliminating the verbal public comment period and the irony of that is that quite often when we open up the microphones for public comment there's a dead silence for ten minutes. This is one of the very few when we might've had fairly extensive public comment and it's a shame we didn't get to hear it. But that's just my statement, my personal statement. The formal statement follows.*

*Written statements are being submitted by CSOs and by this I mean, among others, members of this committee not able to be present including Neil Brown, Michael Levine, Betsy Taylor, Jennifer Krill and several others expressing concern, frustration and protest about the elimination of public comment at today's meeting. Many of CSOs are sending separate written messages expressing the inappropriateness of the American Petroleum Institute's participation in EITI while lobbying against 1504.*

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Paul: How did the US come to this decision and who decided?

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[...]

Greg: Paul and he started the discussions after the first report came out but they were hopeful they could improve with second report. But when saw concerns of the second report, they had weekly discussions about how best to respectfully look for ways to continue to be transparent and work on the goals and initiative, but at that point felt there was way too much risk for the US to enter a validation process they knew they would not be compliant with.

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If you've changed your mind, we need you to say so in very clear terms.

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I am supposed to let our comms department hold my hand with any press interaction.

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Please don't let your message get hijacked by the people who care about the international implications.

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What would you want me to say to the press?

I am supposed to let our comms department hold my hand with any press interaction.

**From:** Gould, Greg [mailto:[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 20, 2017 2:36 PM  
**To:** Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: HEADS UP Fwd: Trump Admin Sounds Death Knell for Transparency Initiative

Veronika,

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I feel like the domestic angle is not the grim message articulated below. What do we care domestically if we are validated or not???? All of the domestic benefits that we have realized will continue. The website, all of the disclosures, the reconciliation, etc. And as laws and the culture changes there will be more information at the governments hands to incorporate on the site. And the government will not be wasting money and duplicating efforts. Why isn't that the message? It is accurate and focuses on the people of the US.

Please don't let your message get hijacked by the people who care about the international implications.

This is USEITI

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**Sent:** Mon Mar 20 2017 13:54:18 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
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A Department of the Interior official confirmed in a March 9 phone call that the United States is withdrawing its efforts to be validated under the EITI Standard. The standard requires companies and governments to disclose the payments they make and receive for extracting oil, gas and minerals. The goal of the initiative is to ensure citizens and governments are getting their fair share of revenues from natural resource extraction. The United States had been working towards complying with the standard since 2012, when it established a multi-stakeholder group of civil society, industry and government members to guide the process.

This grave news comes on the heels of action by Congress and President Trump to use the Congressional Review Act to void an anti-corruption rule that complemented the EITI Standard. The rule, which implemented the Cardin-Lugar Provision of the Dodd-Frank Act, set out how U.S.-listed companies were to disclose tax and project-level payments they make to governments for the commercial development of oil, gas, and minerals. Many U.S.-based oil and gas companies have refused to voluntarily make tax payment disclosures under the U.S. EITI that would have been required by the now-voided rule.

In the spirit of cooperation, consensus, and transparency, we have worked closely with government and industry members of the U.S. EITI multi-stakeholder group since it was established. We are proud of the work we accomplished as a consensus-based body, and are particularly proud of the U.S. EITI website (<https://useiti.doi.gov/>), which we hope will continue to be a valuable tool for citizens seeking unbiased information about the U.S. extractive industries.

Though we are deeply disappointed the United States is no longer a candidate for validation under the EITI Standard, we, the civil society members of the U.S. EITI, remain committed to the principles of openness and accountability in the extractive industries, and we will continue to support our allies around the world in their efforts against corruption.

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This statement has been endorsed by the U.S. EITI civil society members:

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Thanks,

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USEITI Proposed Beneficial Ownership Definition  
March 7, 2017

In accordance with requirement 2.5.f.ii “The definition should be aligned with (f)(i)<sup>1</sup> above and take international norms and relevant national laws into account, and should include ownership threshold(s). The definition should also specify reporting obligations for politically exposed persons”.

Proposed Definition:

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The term ‘politically exposed person’ means a natural person who is or who has been entrusted with prominent public functions and includes the following:

- (a) heads of State, heads of government, secretaries and deputy or assistant secretaries;
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- (e) members of courts of auditors or of the boards of central banks;
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General Information (Box 1)	
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Entity Type	
Period for Reporting	1/1/2016 - 12/31/2016

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<b>ONRR</b>			
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### Tax Payment Reconciliation

(Box 4)

We are willing to participate in reconciliation of our corporate tax payments. (please indicate Yes, No, or N/A)

Yes

No

N/A

### Additional Supporting Information

(Box 5)

We have attached further information to assist you in reconciling the payments made to the records of the relevant government agencies (please indicate Yes or No)

Yes

No

### Company Contact Information

(Box 6)

Please provide contact information for someone within your company who we can contact with follow-up questions about the information you have provided. You can provide more than one name.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Management Sign Off

(Box 7)

I acknowledge for and on behalf of the companies listed that the completed reporting form is a complete and accurate record to the best of my knowledge.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Box 8)

Company Name

Government Unique Identification Number (Example: ONRR's Payor Code)

ONRR

BLM

OSM

BOEM/BSEE



Company identification

	Entry	Comments
Full legal name of the company (including legal form of legal entity)	<legal name> <legal form>	
Country of registration	<country>	
Unique identification number (i.e. registration number)	<number>	
Contact address (registered office for legal entities)	<address>	
Ownership		
	Publicly listed company	<choose option>
	Name of stock exchange	<text>
	Link to stock exchange filings	<URL>
	Wholly owned subsidiary of publicly listed company	<choose option>
	Name of publicly listed owner	<text>
	Privately listed company	<choose option>
	Full name of direct shareholder(s) (i.e. legal owners of company)	<text>
	Is this shareholder a natural person (NP), a legal person (LP) or a state entity (S)?	<choose option>
	Country of registration (or nationality of a natural person)	<text>
Declaration form prepared by	% interest	<number>
	(add rows as necessary)	
	Name	<text>
	Position	<text>
	Telephone number	<text>
	Email address	<text>
Attestation		

I, undersigned, for and on behalf of the reporting entity confirm that all information provided above and in the attached beneficial ownership declaration(s) is accurate and reliable.

Date	<YYYY-MM-DD>
Name	<text>
Position	<text>
Signature	<text>
Please find attached the following supporting documents verifying the accuracy of the beneficial ownership information submitted:	
	<text>
	<text>

Beneficial ownership declaration

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In accordance with this beneficial ownership definition, as per January 1, 2017 the beneficial owner/s of the company are:

Entry		Entry		Entry		Entry			
Identity of the Beneficial Owner									
Full name as it appears on national identify card	<text>								
Politically exposed person (PEP)	<choose option>								
Reason for PEP designation	<text>								
Applicable from	<YYYY-MM-DD>								
Applicable to	<YYYY-MM-DD>								
Date of Birth	<YYYY-MM-DD>								
National identity number	<number>								
Nationality	<text>								
Country of residence	<text>								
Residential address	<text>								
Service address	<text>								
Other means of contact	<text>								
Information about how ownership is held or control over the company is exercised									
By direct shares	<choose option>	Number of shares	<number>	% of shares	<number>				
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By indirect shares	<choose option>	Number of indirect shares	<number>	% of indirect shares	<number>	Legal name of intermediate company 1	<text>	Unique identification number	<number>
						Legal name of intermediate company 2 (Add rows as necessary)	<text>	Unique identification number (Add rows as necessary)	<number>
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By other means	<choose option>	Explanation of how ownership is exercised	<text>						
Date when beneficial interest was aquired	<YYYY-MM-DD>								

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**Re: Presidential Memorandum– Streamlining Permitting and Reducing Regulatory Burdens for Domestic Manufacturing**

Dear Secretary Ross:

Congratulations on your confirmation as the Secretary of Commerce. The National Mining Association (NMA) stands ready to assist you in advancing President Trump's pro-growth economic agenda.

The president's recent memorandum on *Streamlining Permitting and Reducing Regulatory Burdens on Domestic Manufacturing* addresses a central obstacle to re-shoring manufacturing and bringing good, high-wage jobs back to the United States. As you proceed, we strongly urge you to include within the scope of review and recommendations the front-end of the manufacturing supply chain beginning with U.S. mining. Domestic minerals and metals are critical to ensuring that U.S. manufacturers have access to the raw materials they need to efficiently and securely produce American-made products and technologies. The value added to America's gross domestic product (GDP) by major industries consuming mineral materials is \$2.78 trillion – nearly 15 percent of U.S. GDP.<sup>1</sup>

Our import reliance for key metal and mineral commodities has doubled over the past two decades, and today less than half of the mineral needs of U.S. manufacturing are met from domestically mined resources. As a result, there is a gross structural mismatch between domestic mineral supply and demand.<sup>2</sup> Manufacturing executives have expressed serious concerns about supply chain management and its risks.

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<sup>1</sup> USGS, *Mineral Commodity Summaries* (2017).

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According to a survey of 400 manufacturing executives, more than 90 percent of them are concerned about supply disruptions citing geopolitics and increasing global demand as the most pressing factors. In addition, 80 percent of U.S. manufacturing leaders recognize the importance of sourcing domestic minerals and metals, noting decreased dependence on foreign minerals and metals and strengthened national security as reasons for doing so. Nearly 85 percent believe a strong domestic supply chain of critical minerals and metals will ensure job creation and economic growth in America.<sup>3</sup> With the largest and most diverse mineral resource base in the world—valued at \$6.2 trillion—we can reverse these alarming trends with policies that allow U.S. mining to perform to its full potential. Restricted access to mineralized lands and a broken permitting system pose two substantial obstacles to the responsible development of our nation's first class mineral endowment.

The federal government controls more than 40 percent of the land area in 12 Western states that account much of our nation's mineral resource base. Already half of the federal mineral estate is either off-limits or under restrictions for mineral development. Many of these restrictions have not been reviewed to ascertain whether they remain necessary. To make matters worse, a proposal pending at the Department of the Interior would remove 10 million additional acres of mineral-rich lands from future development.

The U.S. has one of the longest permitting processes in the world. It now takes seven to 10 years to secure the necessary government authorizations for finding and developing mineral resources. The length, complexity and uncertainty of the permitting process are primary reasons investors give for not investing in U.S. mineral projects.<sup>4</sup> These delays and attendant uncertainty can reduce the value of a project by one-third and sometimes by half.<sup>5</sup> Too often we confuse the length of the process with the rigor of review. However, our competitors like Canada and Australia, where permitting takes two to three years on average, have demonstrated that permit review and decisions can be both thorough and timely. They understand that we are in a global competition for mining investment, and that an effective and efficient permitting process provides a competitive advantage.

There are many best practices to reduce the duplication, complexity, and uncertainty among the federal and state agencies that have permitting responsibilities. These best

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<sup>3</sup> Edelman Berland, Survey of U.S. Manufacturing Executives (September 2014).

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practices include better coordination among state and federal agencies, clarifying responsibilities, minimizing duplication, setting goals and timeframes and introducing more accountability among agencies. All of them are available options under existing law, but rarely used.

We also recommend for your consideration including the Secretary of the Interior and Secretary of Labor in your consultations and coordination efforts under Sec. 2 of the presidential memorandum. The Department of the Interior is responsible for 260 million acres of land in western states with enormous mineral potential and, along with the Department of Agriculture's Forest Service, administers an authorization and permitting program for the exploration and development of mineral resources on those lands. The Department of Labor's Mine Safety and Health Administration administers the nation's mine safety laws including the review and approval of plans designed to meet the safety objectives of those laws.

Thank you for your consideration of our request and recommendations on the scope of review and consultation under the president's memorandum for *Streamlining Permitting and Reducing Regulatory Burdens for Domestic Manufacturing*. We look forward to working with you and the other members of the president's cabinet to establish a permitting and regulatory system that positions our manufacturing, technology and mining industries to compete successfully with the world's fastest growing economies.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Hal Quinn', with a stylized, cursive script.

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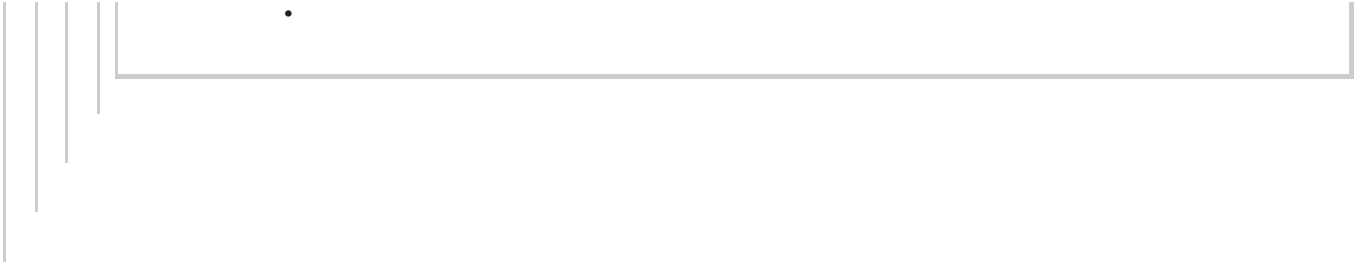
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Yes, thank you for your guidance!

**From:** Gould, Greg [mailto:[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)]  
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"Nick.Vassallo@usdoj.gov" <Nick.Vassallo@usdoj.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Request to Postpone Implementation of ONRR Oil, Gas, and Coal  
Valuation Rule

Peter,

I'm acknowledging receipt and will work with our team on next steps.

Respectfully,

Greg

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[onrrelt@onrr.gov](mailto:onrrelt@onrr.gov), [bonnie.robson@onrr.gov](mailto:bonnie.robson@onrr.gov),

**To:** matthew.wheeler@sol.doi.gov, Matthew McKeown  
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ONRR ELT <onrrrelt@onrr.gov>, "Wheeler, Matthew"  
**CC:** <matthew.wheeler@sol.doi.gov>, Matthew McKeown  
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Date: Fri, February 17, 2017 2:39 PM -0700

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Thanks Greg. We did receive a copy from Bonnie Robson late this morning. We appreciate your attention to this issue.

Peter

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Re: Request to Postpone Implementation of ONRR Oil, Gas, and Coal Valuation Rule

Dear Director Gould:

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 705, the National Mining Association, the Wyoming Mining Association, and the American Petroleum Institute, each on behalf of their respective members, and Cloud Peak Energy Inc., Black Hills Corporation, Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc., Basin Electric Power Cooperative, and Western Fuels-Wyoming, Inc. (collectively, “Petitioners”) respectfully request that the U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Natural Resources Revenue (“ONRR”), postpone implementation of the Consolidated Federal Oil & Gas and Federal & Indian Coal Valuation Reform Final Rule, 81 Fed. Reg. 43,338 (July 1, 2016) (the “Final Rule”). The Petitioners have sought judicial review of the Final Rule through multiple Petitions filed in the United States District Court for the District of Wyoming.<sup>1</sup> The Final Rule is first effective as to royalty reporting due February 28, 2017 for oil, gas, and coal production in January 2017. For the reasons set forth below and in the Petitioners’ court filings and submitted comments on ONRR’s proposed rule, which mirrors the Final Rule, postponement of the Final Rule’s implementation is necessary in the interests of justice.

Petitioners initiated the challenge to the Final Rule because it adopts new royalty reporting and payment requirements that are impracticable, and in some cases impossible, for Petitioners and many other federal and Indian lessees to comply with by the February 28, 2017 royalty reporting due date. A federal or Indian lessee’s failure to properly report and pay its royalties exposes the lessee to potential knowing or willful civil penalties. In contrast, by its own analysis in the Final Rule, ONRR’s delayed implementation of the Final Rule would have no significant revenue impact to the lessors, and in the interim would continue regulations that have functioned adequately for more than 25 years.

Under the Administrative Procedure Act (“APA”), “[w]hen an agency finds that justice so requires, it may postpone the effective date of an action taken by it, pending judicial review.” This provision gives federal agencies broad discretion to postpone the effect of agency action

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<sup>1</sup> *Cloud Peak Energy Inc., et al. v. USDOl*, Case No. 16-cv-315 (filed Dec. 29, 2016); *American Petroleum Institute v. USDOl*, Case No. 16-cv-316 (filed Dec. 29, 2016); *Tri-State Generation and Transmission Ass’n, Inc., et al. v. USDOl*, Case No. 16-cv-319 (filed Dec. 29, 2016).

while litigation is ongoing. This temporary postponement under 5 U.S.C. § 705 to preserve the status quo will afford ONRR sufficient time and opportunity to determine how to proceed regarding the Final Rule. At the same time, it would avoid the expenditure of further resources of the Petitioners and ONRR on implementing a rule under which compliance is infeasible or impossible, and which may be declared invalid by the Court or modified by ONRR.

The Final Rule features a number of fundamental problems that gave rise to the regulated community's detailed rulemaking comments and currently pending litigation. The three Petitions filed against the Final Rule, as well as the detailed sets of comments submitted on the nearly identical proposed rule (available on the rulemaking docket at [regulations.gov](http://regulations.gov)), are incorporated by reference in this letter. As more fully explained therein, the Final Rule in its current form is unlikely to survive judicial review because it exceeds ONRR's authority under applicable statutes, including the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, the Federal Coal Leasing Amendments Act of 1976, and the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, and applicable lease terms, and is arbitrary and capricious under the APA. Some Final Rule provisions demand the impossible from lessees; others manufacture arbitrary and unconstrained "discretion" by ONRR. The problematic provisions in the Final Rule include, but are not limited to:

- A new "default" valuation provision whereby ONRR may unilaterally establish royalty value in the first instance under numerous, broadly defined circumstances, undermining the certainty of even a lessee's arm's-length sales prices as value, and creating the risk that ONRR may impose a higher royalty value many years after production and initial payment;
- Mandatory valuation of coal production via an inherently unreliable "netback" method that courts and the Department have historically used only as a "last resort" if no other methodology, such as comparable sales, is available to establish a reasonable value at or near the mine;
- Inadequately defined transportation allowances particularly for coal sold for ultimate delivery at distant locations;
- Requirement that coal cooperatives and vertically integrated lessees use a novel and untested method to value coal based on the sales price of electricity generated by the coal, an entirely different commodity, and apply generation and transmission allowances summarily imported from geothermal resource valuation with no analysis of their applicability to coal-fired electric generation. This ignores the value added by all activities converting coal to electricity between the mine and the end use customer's switch, the multiple resale tiers prior to end use, the variety of retail prices paid by end use customers, and the fact that the fuel component of a retail electricity price includes non-coal energy sources from the

royalty payors' complete portfolios of natural gas, hydro, wind and solar, effectively making the Final Rule's required valuation impossible to calculate;

- For all coal not sold by the lessee at arm's length, failure to provide any index or other option to use reliable alternative valuation methods established near the lease like those available for oil and gas valuation;
- Blanket denial, artificial limitation, and termination of allowances to which lessees are legally entitled, undermining ONRR's longstanding recognition of valuation at or near the lease;
- Unsupported singling out of coal cooperatives for special treatment, including royalty valuation calculations that are impossible to perform, and disregard of well-established legal principles governing "affiliated" entities;
- Sudden reversal of longstanding subsea transportation allowances for offshore oil and gas;
- Refusal to recognize for valuation purposes any contract for the sale of oil, gas, or coal that is legally enforceable yet may be unwritten or unsigned by all parties; and
- Requirement to pay royalty on unattainable index prices for federal gas.

The Final Rule proffered no evidence or compelling justification for promulgating the wholesale changes to ONRR's well-established royalty valuation regulations. Rather, ONRR ignored the many comments pointing out the multiple shortcomings in the rule ONRR proposed and then finalized the rule essentially unchanged. Moreover, ONRR failed to sufficiently analyze and disclose the overall negative economic impacts of its Final Rule.

Federal and Indian coal lessees and federal oil and gas lessees face significant hardship and uncertainty in the face of their upcoming first reporting deadline under the Final Rule. As noted above and previously, many lessees simply cannot conform to the terms of the Final Rule, which requires calculations that are infeasible to perform and information that is impossible to obtain. Industry efforts to obtain adequate guidance from ONRR thus far have been unsuccessful, as the agency has provided no substantive responses to several inquiries over multiple months. Exacerbating the harms to lessees is their exposure to enforcement actions, including significant knowing or willful civil penalties, if they are unable to report and pay their royalties in accordance with the Final Rule's stated requirements. The Final Rule also allows ONRR to impermissibly recoup more financial consideration from federal and Indian lessees than ONRR is entitled to receive. Yet, if the Final Rule challenge is successful, ONRR has no authority to compensate lessees for their substantial costs of compliance (including their creation

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Washington, DC 20240

**FEB 22 2017**

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Dear Mr. Schaumberg and Mr. Auslander:

Thank you for your letter dated February 17, 2017, requesting that the Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR) postpone implementation of the Consolidated Federal Oil & Gas and Federal & Indian Coal Valuation Rule (Rule) under Section 705 of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA). As you know, the Rule was published in the Federal Register on July 1, 2016 and took effect on January 1, 2017. The first reports under the Rule are due by February 28, 2017.

While we do not agree with all legal conclusions in your letter, in light of the pending litigation and for the following reasons, ONRR will postpone the effective date of the Rule until the issues raised in the judicial actions challenging it have been definitively resolved.

First, while ONRR believes that the Rule was properly promulgated, we agree that you have raised serious questions concerning the validity of certain provisions in the Rule. Given this legal uncertainty, we believe that it is critical to maintain the status quo until the litigation is resolved.

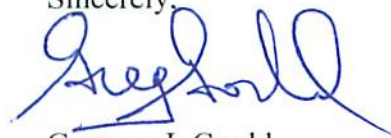
Second, we believe that the stay will enhance the lessees' ability to timely and accurately report and pay royalties. Many lessees, including the petitioners, have raised legitimate questions concerning how to properly report and pay royalties under the Rule. Given these judicial and administrative uncertainties, relying on the previous regulatory system will reduce uncertainty and enhance ONRR's ability to collect and verify natural resource revenues while the litigation is pending, which is in the best interest of the States, Tribes, individual Indian lessors, and the general public.

Third, a postponement will avoid the substantial cost to both the regulated community and ONRR of retroactively correcting and verifying all revenue reports if the Rule is invalidated as a result of the pending litigation. We realize that those lessees that have already updated their accounting systems to report and pay royalties under the Rule will incur a cost to reconvert the systems to report and pay royalties under the previous rule. But the cost of reconverting those systems now is less than what that cost would be if the Rule is invalidated and lessees must reconvert their accounting systems and correct all royalty reports submitted under the invalidated Rule.

Finally, the United States will suffer no significant harm from postponing the effective date of the Rule while the litigation is pending. As you noted, the Rule is not expected to have a significant impact on the economy. 81 FR 43338, 43368 (July 1, 2016). Thus, postponing the effective date of the Rule will not cause any appreciable economic harm to the general public. In fact, we believe the regulatory certainty provided by the postponement will enhance ONRR's mission to collect and verify natural resource revenues, which is in the best interest of the royalty beneficiaries and the United States.

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I look forward to discussing that, John. Deferring to you judgment and referring to the Secretariat doesn't strike me as an appropriate way to reflect the lack on consensus on the tall. Excluding the point on which we couldn't find consensus would.

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I look forward to speaking soon.

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I'd also like to discuss why gold and copper would not be considered non-energy minerals for the purpose of the the contextual narrative.

Paul

On Feb 22, 2017, at 10:33 AM, Mennel, John (US - Arlington) <jmennel@deloitte.com> wrote:

Hi David and Paul,

There were a few points on the last call that we did not hear clear consensus on. This change and a few others were suggested but then there was no final decision on whether to make them or not. Therefore, we used our judgement and took guidance from the Secretariat on how to prepare these drafts.

For the call today, we would like to compile a set of final comments that we can either reach consensus on today on the call or refer quickly to the co-chairs afterward. We will use that to come back with a final version of the reporting template and supporting documents.

I look forward to speaking soon.

John

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Thanks for pointing that out, David.

Paul

On Feb 21, 2017, at 1:45 PM, Romig, David <dromig@fmi.com> wrote:

Greg,

The template needs to be adjusted to remove the subtotals. We did not have consensus for this addition so if Deloitte could make the adjustment and resubmit before the meeting it might help move this forward.

Thanks  
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USEITI Implementation Subcommittee:

Welcome back from a nice long weekend. Our next Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for tomorrow, Wednesday, February 22nd, at 11 00 am, which will focus primarily on IA updates, three proposed contextual narrative additions, and the revised reporting template and guidelines. The Reporting Improvement Workgroup will give an update on the work they are doing to complete their gap analysis, and as we agreed to last week there is a standing validation discussion added to the agenda.

Last week you all should have received from the IA outlines for the proposed contextual narrative additions, and an updated reporting template and guidelines document. The goal of the Subcommittee this week is to agree on the final template and guidelines and recommend it to Co-chairs for final review and approval. We will also discuss the contextual narrative additions and recommend two additions to the Co-chairs for final approval.

Attached to this email are the three contextual narrative addition outlines and the updated reporting template and guidelines. Please review in advance and be prepared to discuss these materials tomorrow. I'll be traveling to DC for meetings tomorrow, so Judy Wilson will run the meeting again this week.

Thanks,

Greg

USEITI Implementation Subcommittee

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Proposed Meeting Agenda

11:00 Welcome and Introductions

11:05 IA Update (mainstreaming, employment by commodity addition, tribal overview)

11:10 Revised Reporting Template and Guidelines

11:20 Contextual Narrative Additions

11:40 Reconciliation Improvement Workgroup Update (gap analysis)

11:45 Validation Discussion

11:55 Walk-ons/Next Steps

12:00 End

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# Contextual Narrative Addition Outlines February 2017



# Criteria for Selecting Topics

In considering the potential topics for 2017, the IA recommends two criteria for evaluating options. We believe the additions should:

- 1 Increase public engagement and interest in USEITI.** The AML addition provides a good example of this type of addition in that it covers a contentious and complex topic of importance to many parts of the country.
- 2 Strengthen the U.S. case for validation.** The audit and assurance controls addition provides a strong example of this from 2016 in providing explanations on the strength of U.S. data and building the case for mainstreaming.



# Three Potential Addition Topics

At the February MSG meeting, the MSG identified three potential topics for new additions; the Subcommittee can select two to move forward.



## Forestry

A special highlight on the forestry industry in the U.S., building on presentations to the MSG from BLM Forestry officials



## Renewables

A special highlight on the renewables industry in the U.S. building on the current scope of USEITI & past MSG discussions



## Non-Energy Minerals

A special highlight on four additional metals expanding on current non-energy minerals

**The Implementation Subcommittee can select two to be included as additions in this year's report.**

# General Outline

As each addition would be an overview of new commodities or industries, the types of information collected for each would be broadly similar.

Topic	Questions Answered
<b>Overview &amp; Landscape</b>	What is this commodity? Where does it exist? Where is it extracted? On what type of lands? Who owns it?
<b>Production</b>	Where does production occur? How much production occurs annually and has occurred historically?
<b>Industry Overview</b>	How big is the industry? What are the key processes in the extraction of the commodity?
<b>Revenues</b>	How does extraction of the commodity result in federal revenues? What are the chief revenue streams? How much money is collected? Where are those revenues disbursed? What is the broad understanding of revenue sustainability for this commodity?
<b>Economic Impact</b>	What is the economic impact of the commodity's extraction in terms of both benefits (GDP, jobs, wages, exports) and costs (water, emergency services, transportation, reclamation)?
<b>Regulation</b>	Who regulates extraction on federal lands? What are the major laws and regulations governing that extraction?

**All Contextual Narrative additions will aim to follow a similar format as previous years – striking a balance between content additions and complementary visualizations**

# Forestry Overview



In keeping with USEITI's current success, forestry provides another opportunity to consolidate U.S. government information across multiple agencies for ease of public consumption with an economically-important commodity. It also makes USEITI relevant to new geographies in the United States.

Topic	Current Coverage	Description
<b>Overview &amp; Landscape</b>	New Content	There are 521 million acres of timber land in the United States. Adding forestry would increase USEITI's relevance to new parts of the United States (such as the Pacific Northwest and a greater portion of the American South).
<b>Production</b>	New Content	In 2013, 13.6 billion cubic feet of roundwood was harvested in the United States, making it the largest producer of roundwood in the world. The distinctions between types of wood, their centers of production, and the fluctuations in that production as a result of the broader economy of the United States would provide new information for the public.
<b>Industry Overview</b>	New Content	"Forestry, fishing, and related activities" provided \$38.5 billion in GDP in 2015 or roughly half of the total value of all mining. Forestry provides a number of different subsectors and industries that, while opaque, are of importance to understanding management of public lands and revenues.
<b>Revenues</b>	New Content	With revenue collected separately by U.S. Forest Service and BLM, USEITI has an opportunity to provide a complete picture of forestry-related revenues in the United States as well as their disbursement. USFS received \$112M in timber management receipts. BLM took in roughly \$50M in revenues in 2015 and has relatively unique disbursements for secure rural schools.
<b>Economic Impact</b>	New Content	Forestry and logging provided 57,800 jobs and paid \$2.5B in wages in 2015. Exports information can also be included. It also promises interesting information on reclamation and sustainable forestry, with 76% of BLM revenues from public domain lands going to reclamation.
<b>Regulation</b>	New Content	Similar to revenues, USEITI can include in one place an overview of the regulation of the timber industry across multiple agencies (BLM and USFS in particular) as it has with other commodities. It provides an opportunity for the public to better understand the full range of BLM management as well as provides an intro to understanding more of the National Forest system.

# Renewables Overview



Including a highlight on renewables expands on an industry already included in much of the data portal's infrastructure and provides necessary context for users seeking to understand the nature of production and other data presented on the data portal. **Larger additions of data will occur if hydropower and/or nuclear energy is included as a renewable.**

Topic	Current Coverage	Description
<b>Overview &amp; Landscape</b>	New Content	An overview of the renewables sector provides an opportunity to explain the distinctions between different renewables currently in-scope, such as wind, solar, and geothermal, while covering new portions of renewables such as hydropower and biomass.
<b>Production</b>	How it Works section of data portal (onshore and offshore) <a href="https://useiti.doi.gov/how-it-works/onshore-renewables/">https://useiti.doi.gov/how-it-works/onshore-renewables/</a>	Production data for renewables are currently included in the overall production data at a national and state level as with other in-scope commodities. The highlight can consolidate this information on one page, provide additional information from DOE on renewable energy potential in the United States, and cover the geography of renewables development.
<b>Industry Overview</b>	New Content	A renewables overview provides an opportunity to overview the different subsectors of the industry and how they fit together into a whole. It can also attempt to size the industries based on existent data since BEA does not currently size the renewables energy sector specifically.
<b>Revenues</b>	How it Works section of data portal (onshore and offshore) <a href="https://useiti.doi.gov/how-it-works/onshore-renewables/">https://useiti.doi.gov/how-it-works/onshore-renewables/</a>	Federal revenues from renewables are currently included in the data portal in the same format as other in-scope commodities when they are collected by the Department of Interior. Revenue streams from hydropower and nuclear energy would be new additions.
<b>Economic Impact</b>	New Content	The data portal currently includes no information on the economic impact of the renewables industry. BLS data for solar, wind, and geothermal could be added. (Wind energy, for example, created 4,245 jobs and paid \$205M in total wages in 2015.) The Department of Energy's <a href="#">recent report</a> on energy-related jobs also provides extensive information on jobs created by the renewables sector that could be added. Costs of the industries could be researched and included where sources exist.
<b>Regulation</b>	How it Works section of data portal (onshore and offshore) <a href="https://useiti.doi.gov/how-it-works/onshore-renewables/">https://useiti.doi.gov/how-it-works/onshore-renewables/</a>	The <i>How it Works</i> section currently explains the regulatory process for renewables onshore (BLM) and offshore (BOEM/BSEE). A special highlight on renewables can consolidate the roles of these agencies and expand on hydropower, nuclear, and geothermal regulation including organizations such as the Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and Energy.

# Non-Energy Minerals Overview



Based on discussion at the February MSG, this non-energy minerals overview includes the four metals highlighted by Keith Romig at the March 2016 MSG: molybdenum, zinc, lead, and silver. Information for these metals will largely be based on current USGS mineral reports.

Topic	Current Coverage	Description
<b>Overview &amp; Landscape</b>	New Content	An overview can introduce the public to the four metals as well as their uses, their geographic location, and the estimated quantities that exist in the United States. For example, molybdenum was produced as a primary product at two mines in Colorado and a by-product at eight copper mines.
<b>Production</b>	How it Works section of the data portal <a href="https://useiti.doi.gov/how-it-works/minerals/">https://useiti.doi.gov/how-it-works/minerals/</a>	Production data for zinc and lead concentrate on federal land is already included on the data portal, while silver is reported with gold by DOI. Production data for all lands could be added for these metals, though that does not currently occur for the in-scope non-energy minerals gold, copper, and iron. The U.S. produced 850,000 metric tons of zinc in 2015, the fifth most of any nation.
<b>Industry Overview</b>	New Content	An industry overview of non-energy mineral can discuss the price per unit, stocks, and imports and exports of the four metals and the trends in their production.
<b>Revenues</b>	New Content	Based on production, zinc and lead likely generated federal revenues. They are not, however, disaggregated in the current unilateral disclosure. It is unclear if silver did or not and unlikely that molybdenum did given its lack of inclusion in production.
<b>Economic Impact</b>	New Content	Employment statistics can be included from USGS reports and BLS data. For example, lead mines employed 1,730 people at 11 mines in the United States. BLS data groups lead and zinc together, but collectively they paid on average \$77,799 in annual pay in 2015 while silver paid \$94,776. Inclusion would provide an opportunity to discuss non-coal reclamation among other costs where sources exist. Exports information can also be included.
<b>Regulation</b>	How it Works section of the data portal <a href="https://useiti.doi.gov/how-it-works/minerals/">https://useiti.doi.gov/how-it-works/minerals/</a>	The regulation of these four metals as it pertains to federal land is well covered by current information on the data portal.

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# Reporting Template Guidelines

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## A. Introduction

The purpose of this document is to provide guidance for companies to complete the United States Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (USEITI) Reporting Template. As a part of the USEITI process, the US will publish a report that discloses the payments made by extractive industry companies for extractive related activities, including royalties, rents, bonuses, taxes, and other payments. This primarily refers to payments listed on page 2 of this document, made to government entities for extractive activities occurring on Federal leases and properties, with few exceptions. More information on USEITI is included at <http://www.doi.gov/eiti>.

A Multi-Stakeholder Group (MSG) oversees the USEITI process. An Independent Administrator (IA) is appointed by the MSG; Deloitte & Touche LLP serves as the IA for this report. The IA's role for the 2017 USEITI report is to collect and report the revenue data submitted by companies. Data submitted will not be subject to any audit or reconciliation procedures by the IA, ~~and no reconciliation procedures will be performed on the data submitted by companies for the 2017 Report.~~

Appendix A: *Terms and Definitions Reference Guide* contains a listing of definitions of terms included in this document and on the 2017 USEITI Reporting Template.

### What's new for 2017 Reporting?

There are a number of changes that have been made to the reporting process for the 2017 report. These are detailed at a high-level below:

- **No Reconciliation for 2017** – Unlike in the 2 prior year reports (2015 and 2016), the reporting process for 2017 will NOT include a reconciliation of company reported payments with government reported revenues. The approach for 2017 is a voluntary company reporting process. No reconciliation procedures will be performed on the data submitted by companies for the 2017 report.
- **Changes to in scope revenue streams** – There have been a couple minor changes to the revenue streams included in the reporting request and template. These changes have been made to help simplify reporting for companies as a result of challenges identified in previous reporting periods. The changes include combining the categories of rents and bonuses for ONRR, combining the categories of civil penalties, offshore inspection fees, and other revenues for ONRR, and replacing a category of renewables with other revenues for BLM.
- **Addition of Beneficial Ownership request** – The recently revised 2016 EITI Standard directs all implementing countries to implement in their reporting process by 2020 a disclosure by reporting companies of their beneficial owners. As a first step, the 2017 reporting process will include a request for all publicly traded companies to complete an addendum template requesting information around beneficial owners. Additional details on how to complete this request can be found in the below **Section G**.

## B. General Template Instructions

Please utilize the information included in this document to complete the 2017 USEITI Reporting Template.

An electronic version of the Reporting Template has been provided. If there are questions about the template or the information needed to complete the template, please send questions to:

[USEITIDataCollection@Deloitte.com](mailto:USEITIDataCollection@Deloitte.com)

### General Information (Box 1)

**Corporate Entity Name:** Indicate the name of your corporate entity.

**Entity Type:** We request that you identify the type of incorporation for your company (S Corporation, C Corporation, Limited Partnership, Limited Liability Company, etc.).

**Period for Reporting:** Companies should provide payment data only for the period of CY 2016, which is January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. Only the payments made or reported during CY 2016 should be included in the amounts reported on the template.

The period in which the fees were incurred is not relevant; reporting should be based on the period in

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which the actual transaction to pay or report the fees occurred.

The reporting currency for the USEITI report is US dollars (USD); all amounts reported in the Reporting Template should be in USD.

Table B-1 provides a summary of the government revenue streams determined in-scope for USEITI reporting for CY 2016 by the USEITI MSG. The table lists these streams by the government entity that collects the revenue along with a brief description of each revenue stream. Companies only need to report payments made for these specific revenue streams. Please report payment amounts in Box 2, Reported Payments, in the column titled "Amount Paid (USD \$)" on the template.

This request is only for total payment amount data for each revenue stream.

Table B-1 In-Scope Revenue Streams

Government Payee	Revenue Stream	Description
ONRR	Royalties	All Royalties reported to ONRR on Form ONRR-2014 or CMP-2014, the Production and Royalty (P&R) Reporting System, or through direct billing activity ( <b>see Reporting Guidelines: Table C-1</b> )
ONRR	Rents and Bonuses	All Rents and Bonuses reported to ONRR on Form ONRR-2014, the Production and Royalty (P&R) Reporting System, or through direct billing activity ( <b>see Reporting Guidelines: Table C-2</b> )
ONRR	Other Revenues	All non-royalty, rent, or bonus revenues reported to ONRR on the Form ONRR-2014 or CMP-2014, Production and Royalty (P&R) Reporting System, or through direct billing activity; and Fees for annual inspections performed by BSEE on each offshore permanent structure and drilling rig that conducts drilling, completion, or workover operations; and Civil Penalties collected by ONRR on behalf of ONRR, BOEM, and BSEE ( <b>see Reporting Guidelines: Table C-3</b> )
BLM	Bonus and First Year Rentals	Payments made by the winning bidder of an onshore lease at a BLM lease sale ( <b>see Reporting Guidelines: Table C-4</b> )
BLM	Permit Fees	All Permit Fees paid such as Application for Permit to Drill Fees, Mining Claim and Holding Fees, any Fees paid pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act, etc. ( <b>see Reporting Guidelines: Table C-5</b> )
BLM	Other Revenues	Wind, Solar, and Biomass Projects ( <b>see Reporting Guidelines: Table C-6</b> )
OSMRE	AML Fees	Abandoned Mine Land (AML) Fees including AML Fees assessed from audits as well as any late charges paid ( <b>see Reporting Guidelines: Table C-7</b> )
OSMRE	Civil Penalties	Civil Penalties assessed on violations of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act including any late charges paid ( <b>see Reporting Guidelines: Table C-8</b> )
IRS	Taxes	Corporate Tax Payments to IRS ( <b>see Reporting Guidelines: Table C-9</b> )

Additional details and guidance for each of the revenue streams listed in table B-1 *In-Scope Revenue Streams* are included in the respective tables within section C. These details provide explanation for how companies should determine the amounts to report for each revenue stream. The additional guidance includes information on the specific transaction types on government reporting forms that are included in the amounts companies should report.

There may also be instances where companies make payments to government entities based on direct billing activity, or other means such as only a check with a lease number referenced, rather than through a specific government reporting form. In these instances, the "Report Type" column in the table will show "Direct Billing" rather than the name of a standard reporting form with a related transaction code.

### C. Reporting Guidelines

#### Payments to Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR)

##### Royalties Paid to ONRR

Table C-1 outlines the transactions that make up the Royalties revenue stream. These include amounts reported or paid to ONRR on the Form ONRR-2014, Form CMP-2014, Form ONRR-4430, or through direct billing activity from ONRR. The amount reported for royalties should equal the amounts your company reported to ONRR on the respective forms during CY 2016 in addition to any invoices actually paid during CY 2016.

Table C-1 Royalties Paid to ONRR

Report Type	Transaction Code (ONRR-2014) or Submit Type Code (P&R)	Transaction Description
ONRR-2014 or CMP-2014	01	<b>Royalty Due</b> —Report royalties due in value on producing Federal leases
ONRR-2014 or CMP-2014	08	<b>Royalty In Kind (Other)</b> —Report non-Strategic Petroleum Reserve transactions for RIK oil and gas leases
ONRR-2014 or CMP-2014	10	<b>Compensatory Royalty Payment</b> —Report royalty value due on oil and gas that has been drained from Federal land by a well on ano her property
ONRR-2014 or CMP-2014	11	<b>Transportation Allowance</b> —Report a transportation allowance against the royalty due
ONRR-2014 or CMP-2014	15	<b>Processing Allowance</b> —Report a processing allowance against the royalty due
ONRR-2014 or CMP-2014	40	<b>Net Profit Share - Profitable</b> —Report sales and royalties on NPS leases for profitable months
ONRR-4430 (P&R)	ADJ	<b>Royalty Due</b> —Report royalties due in value on producing Federal leases - adjust volume and/or value
ONRR-4430 (P&R)	PR	<b>Royalty Due</b> —Report royalties due in value on producing Federal leases - original submission
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Interest on Royalties</b> —Report payor reported interest due to ONRR

### Rents and Bonuses Paid to ONRR

Table C-2 outlines the transactions that make up the Rents and Bonuses revenue stream. These include amounts reported or paid to ONRR on the Form ONRR-2014, Form ONRR-4430, or through direct billing activity from ONRR. The amount reported for rents and bonuses should equal the amounts your company reported to ONRR on the respective forms during CY 2016 in addition to any invoices actually paid during CY 2016. In the case of any duplicate rent payments made during the period, please do not include the duplicate rent amount paid.

Table C-2 Rents and Bonuses Paid to ONRR

Report Type	Transaction Code (ONRR-2014) or Submit Type Code (P&R)	Transaction Description
ONRR-2014	04	<b>Rental Payment</b> —Report the payment of un-recoupable rent for a lease
ONRR-2014	05	<b>Advance Rental Credit</b> —Report the payment of recoupable rent for a lease
ONRR-2014	25	<b>Recoup Advance Rental Credit</b> —Report a recoupment of a previously paid recoupable rent against net royalties paid
ONRR-4430 (P&R)	RENT	<b>Rental Payment</b> —Report the payment of un-recoupable rent for a lease
ONRR-4430 (P&R)	RCPRN	<b>Advance Rental Credit</b> —Report the payment of recoupable rent for a lease
ONRR-4430 (P&R)	RERNT	<b>Recoup Advance Rental Credit</b> —Report a recoupment of a previously paid recoupable rent against net royalties paid
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Nominally-Deficient Rent</b> —Report deficient rental payments
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Rental Payment</b> —Report the payment of un-recoupable rent for a lease
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Rental Recoupment</b> —Report a recoupment of a previously paid recoupable rent against net royalties paid
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Right of Way/Use Rent Assessment</b> —Report annual right of way/use payments for offshore properties
ONRR-2014	67	<b>Bonus Rentals</b> —Deferred
ONRR-4430 (P&R)	DBONS	<b>Bonus Rentals</b> —Deferred
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Bonus Payment</b> (Winning Bidder Only)
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Underpaid Deferred Bonus</b>

### Other Revenues Paid to ONRR

Table C-3 outlines the transactions that make up the Other Revenues revenue stream. These include amounts reported or paid to ONRR on the Form ONRR-2014, Form ONRR-4430, or through direct billing activity from ONRR, fees for annual inspections performed by BSEE which ONRR collects on behalf of BSEE through direct billing activity, and civil penalties issued by ONRR, BOEM, or BSEE collected by ONRR through direct billing activity. The amount reported for other revenues should equal the amounts your company reported to ONRR on the respective forms during CY 2016 in addition to any invoices actually paid during CY 2016.

Table C-3 Other Revenues Paid to ONRR

Report Type	Transaction Code (ONRR-2014) or Submit Type Code (P&R)	Transaction Description
ONRR-2014	02	<b>Minimum Royalty Payment</b> —Report the minimum royalty payment for a lease
ONRR-2014	03	<b>Estimated Royalty Payment</b> —Report an estimated royalty payment
ONRR-2014	07	<b>ONRR Settlement Agreement</b> —Report royalty due on a contract settlement with ONRR
ONRR-2014	09	<b>Production Fee Incentive</b> —Report incentives paid for production
ONRR-2014	13	<b>Quality Bank and Gravity Bank Adjustment</b> —Report adjustments that reflect the difference in quality (gravity and/or sulfur) between the oil measured at the approved point of royalty settlement and the common stream quality of the pipeline
ONRR-2014	14	<b>Tax Reimbursement Payment</b> —Report the royalty on a tax reimbursement
ONRR-2014	16	<b>Well Fees</b> —Report a flat fee payable periodically as specified in the lease agreement
ONRR-2014	17	<b>Gas Storage Agreement - Flat Fee</b> —Pay for storage of gas when the fee is a fixed amount or is based on the number of acres used to store gas
ONRR-2014	18	<b>Gas Storage Agreement - Injection Fee</b> —Report the fee for gas injected into a gas storage formation
ONRR-2014	19	<b>Gas Storage Agreement - Withdrawal Fee</b> —Report the fee for gas that was injected into and then withdrawn from a gas storage formation
ONRR-2014	21	<b>Interest Amount Due ONRR</b> —Report payor-calculated interest owed to ONRR

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Report Type	Transaction Code (ONRR-2014) or Submit Type Code (P&R)	Transaction Description
ONRR-2014	22	<b>Interest Amount Owed To Payor</b> —Report payor-calculated interest ONRR owes payor (for Federal leases only)
ONRR-2014	31	<b>Contract Settlements Payment</b> —Report royalty due on contract settlement payments between you and a third party
ONRR-2014	32	<b>Advance Royalty</b> —Report advance royalty amount due for specific products (all coal and non-coal)
ONRR-2014	33	<b>Recoup Advance Royalty</b> —Report a recoupment of a previously paid advance royalty (all coal and non-coal products)
ONRR-2014	37	<b>Royalties Due In Lieu Of Severance Tax</b> —Report royalties due for leases subject to Section 6(a)(9) of the OCS Lands Act of 1953, as amended
ONRR-2014	38	<b>Additional Royalty Due For OCSLA, Section (6)(A)(9) Leases</b> —Report additional royalties of 1/32, 1/48 and 1/64 due under Section 6(a)(9) leases
ONRR-2014	39	<b>Net Profit Share – Unprofitable</b> —Report incentive for drilling in areas that otherwise wouldn't be profitable
ONRR-2014	52	<b>Recoup Minimum Royalty Paid in Advance (MRPIA)</b> —Report a recoupment of a previously paid minimum royalty recoupable amount.
ONRR-4430 (P&R)	ADVRY	<b>Advance Royalty</b> —Report advance royalty amount due for specific products (non-coal only)
ONRR-4430 (P&R)	CONSP	<b>Contract Settlements Payment</b> —Report royalty due on contract settlement payments between you and a third party
ONRR-4430 (P&R)	MNROY	<b>Minimum Royalty Payment</b> —Report the minimum royalty payment for a lease
ONRR-4430 (P&R)	MRPIA	<b>Minimum Royalty Payment</b> —Report the minimum royalty payable in advance for a lease (non-coal only)
ONRR-4430 (P&R)	RADRY	<b>Recoup Advance Royalty</b> —Report a recoupment of a previously paid advance royalty (all coal & non-coal products)
ONRR-4430 (P&R)	RCPMR	<b>Recoup Minimum Royalty Paid In Advance</b> —Report the recoupment of a previously paid advance minimum royalty (non-coal only)
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Gas Storage Fee</b> —Fee for the storage of natural gas



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Report Type	Transaction Code (ONRR-2014) or Submit Type Code (P&R)	Transaction Description
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>In Lieu of Production</b> —Report payments in lieu of production
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Interest Amount Due ONRR</b> —Report difference between payor-calculated interest and ONRR calculated interest results in underpayment to ONRR
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Interest Amount Owed To Payor</b> —Report difference between payor-calculated interest and ONRR calculated interest results in overpayment to ONRR
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Interest Amount Due ONRR</b> —Report difference between payor-calculated interest and ONRR calculated interest results in underpayment to ONRR
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Interest Amount Owed To Payor</b> —Report difference between payor-calculated interest and ONRR calculated interest results in overpayment to ONRR
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Interest on Invoices</b> —Report interest billed for any invoice paid late
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Liquidated Damages</b> —Report charges for providing incorrect or no payment information
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Minimum Royalty</b> —Report the minimum royalty for a lease
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Oil and Gas Adjustment</b> —Report oil and gas adjustments
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>On Account</b> —Report payments on account to ONRR
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Payor Calculated Interest</b> —Report payor-calculated interest
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Storage Fee</b> —Report fees for storage
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Underpaid Advance Royalty (Solids)</b>
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Underpaid Minimum Royalty</b> —Report additional minimum royalties due
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Underpaid Rent</b> —Report additional rental payments due
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Well Fees</b> —Report a flat fee payable periodically as specified in the lease agreement
Direct Billing	N/A	<b>Fees for annual inspections</b> performed by BSEE on each offshore permanent structure and drilling rig that conducts drilling, completion, or workover operations

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Report Type	Transaction Code (ONRR-2014) or Submit Type Code (P&R)	Transaction Description
Direct Billing	N/A	ONRR Civil Penalties
Direct Billing	N/A	BOEM Civil Penalties
Direct Billing	N/A	BSEE Civil Penalties

Payments to Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

Bonus and First Year Rentals Paid to BLM

Table C-4 outlines the transactions that make up the BLM Bonus and First Year Rentals revenue stream. We understand that companies generally make and record a payment to BLM of the bid amount (bonus) and the first year rental amount when awarded the winning bid on a lease. Companies should report payments made only where the bid submitted was the winning bid. **Companies should exclude payments made for deposits where their bid did not win and BLM returned the deposit amount.**

Although BLM subsequently transfers these payments of bonus and rent to ONRR, they are a separate revenue stream for USEITI. This separation better reflects how companies make and record these payments to government agencies.

Table C-4 Bonus and First Year Rentals Paid to BLM

Report Type	Transaction Code	Transaction Description
Form 3000-002	N/A	Payments made by the winning bidder of an onshore lease at a BLM lease sale

### Permit Fees Paid to BLM

Table C-5 outlines the transactions that make up the BLM Permit Fees revenue stream. These include amounts reported or paid to BLM on various forms. These fees include all types of permit fees paid to BLM, such as Application for Permit to Drill Fees, Mining Claim and Holding Fees, and any fees paid pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act.

**Table C-5 Permit Fees Paid to BLM**

Report Type	Transaction Code	Transaction Description
Form 3160-003	N/A	Application for Permit to Drill Fee - APD (O&G)
Form 3000-002, Form 3000-003, Form 3000-003a, or Form 3160-008	N/A	Processing Fees for Assignments/Record Title, Competitive/Non-Competitive Leases, Name Changes/Mergers, On Railroad R/W, Overriding Royalty Assignment, Reinstatements, Transfer Operating Rights, Closed Cases (O&G)
Notice of Intent to Abandon (NIA) or Subsequent Report Plug and Abandon (SRA) using: Form 3160-005 or Form 3160-009	N/A	Incidents of Non-Compliance related to Abandonment, Drilling, Environmental, and Production Penalties (O&G)
Form 3400-012 or Form 3440-001	N/A	Processing Fees for Competitive Lease, Exploration License, Lease Modification, Logical Mining Unit Formation/Modification (Coal)
Form 3520-007 or Form 3600-009	N/A	Processing Fee and Bonds for Competitive/Non-Competitive Lease Sale (Mineral Materials)
Form 3520-007 or Form 3600-009	N/A	Sand and Gravel Sales (Mineral Materials)
Form 3830 or Form 3860	N/A	Mining Claim Fee—Not New \$155 (Locatable Minerals)
Form 3830 or Form 3861	N/A	New Mining Claim Location Fee \$37(Locatable Minerals)
Form 3830 or Form 3862	N/A	New Mining Claim Maintenance Fee \$155 (Locatable Minerals)
Form 3830 or Form 3863	N/A	New Mining Claim Processing Fee \$20 (Locatable Minerals)
Form 3150-004 or Form 3150-008a	N/A	Oil Shale R&D Nominations Processing Fee (Locatable Minerals)

### Other Revenues Paid to BLM

Table C-6 outlines the transactions that make up the BLM Other Revenues revenue stream. The BLM collects these fees for various renewable projects through direct billing activities.

**Table C-6 Other Revenues Paid to BLM**

ReportType	Transaction Code	Transaction Description
Direct Billing	N/A	Wind, Solar, and Biomass Project Fees

### Payments to Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE)

#### AML Fees Paid to OSMRE

Table C-7 outlines the transactions that make up the OSMRE AML Fees revenue stream. These include fees paid or reported to OSMRE quarterly on the OSM-1 Form. This also includes amounts paid for fees assessed from audits and any late charges incurred. Payments made to OSMRE may relate to activities on all land categories (Federal, Indian, State, and Fee/Private).

**Table C-10 AML Fees Paid to OSMRE**

ReportType	Transaction Code	Transaction Description
OSM-1	N/A	Abandoned Mine Land (AML) Fees paid quarterly on coal tonnage reported on the Coal Reclamation Fee Report (OSM-1 Form) including AML Fees assessed from audits, as well as any late charges paid

#### Civil Penalties Paid to OSMRE

Table C-8 outlines the transactions that make up the OSMRE Civil Penalties revenue stream. These include amounts paid directly to OSMRE from civil penalties assessed by OSMRE through direct billing activity. Payments made to OSMRE may relate to activities on all land categories (Federal, Indian, State, and Fee/Private).

**Table C-8 Civil Penalties Paid to OSMRE**

ReportType	Transaction Code	Transaction Description
Direct Billing	N/A	Civil Penalties assessed on violations of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act where OSMRE is the regulatory authority (Tennessee, Washington, and certain tribal lands) including any late charges paid

### Payments to Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

#### Taxes Paid to the IRS

Table C-9 outlines the IRS transaction codes that make up the Taxes revenue stream. These include all corporate income tax payments made to the IRS by C Corporations during CY 2016 and any tax refunds paid out. Companies should report a net amount of actual tax payments and tax refunds made or received during CY 2016, regardless of the period of activity to which the taxes relate. **For companies that are not C Corporations and do not pay consolidated federal corporate income taxes, this section of the template is not applicable.**

Table C-9 Taxes paid to the IRS

IRS Transaction Codes Tax Payments	Transaction Description
610	Remittance with Return
620	Initial Installment Payment, Form 7004
640	Advanced Payment of Determined Deficiency or <u>Underreported Proposal</u>
660	Estimated Tax - Federal Tax Deposit
670	Subsequent Payment
680	Designated Payment of Interest
690	Designated Payment of Penalty
720	Refund Payment
IRS Transaction Codes Tax Refunds	Transaction Description
840	Manual Refund
841	Cancelled Refund Check Deposited
846	Refund of Overpayment

#### D. Company Contact Information

On the template in Box 4, Company Contact Information, we request that your company provide contact information; including name, title/position, phone number, and email address, for an appropriate individual that the IA can reach out to directly if additional communication is required.

#### E. Reliability of Data – Management Sign-off

The EITI Standard requires that the IA and the MSG obtain a sign-off from a senior company official to attest that the completed reporting template is a complete and accurate record. We are requesting that your company identify an appropriate senior level official according to your organizational structure to provide the necessary assurance and sign the completed template in Box 5, Management Sign Off.

#### F. Company and Subsidiary Identification

In the event your company is a parent company with subsidiary and affiliate companies, please report all figures in the template at a consolidated parent company level, meaning that the reported amounts should reflect total payments made by each consolidated company.

We ask that you please also complete Box 6 of the reporting template, List of Parent Company Subsidiaries, in order to help us identify all subsidiary or affiliate companies included in your consolidated payment amount. Please list each of the subsidiaries that make payments to each DOI bureau and any related payor or customer identification codes used for each of those companies for each respective bureau.

#### G. Beneficial Ownership Identification and Declaration

The 2017 reporting process includes a request for all publicly traded companies to complete an addendum template requesting information around beneficial owners. For 2017, this request does NOT apply to privately held companies that are not publicly listed on a stock exchange. The Beneficial Ownership request included as an addendum to the reporting template includes two sections: Beneficial Ownership Company Identification and Beneficial Ownership Declaration Form.

**Part 1: Beneficial Ownership Company Identification:** In this section of the template, companies should provide details about their beneficial owner(s). Where there is more than one beneficial owner identified for a company, please complete a separate worksheet for each owner. Fields highlighted in green are requested to be completed by the reporting company. Fields in gray are considered optional.

**Part 2: Beneficial Ownership Declaration form:** In this section of the template, companies should provide details about their beneficial owner(s). Where there is more than one beneficial owner identified for a company, please complete a separate worksheet for each owner. Fields highlighted in green are requested to be completed by the reporting company. Fields in gray are considered optional.

Additional guidance on how to complete required fields on the Beneficial Ownership sections of the reporting template are included within the respective sections of the template.

#### G.H. Submission

We request all companies submit completed Reporting Templates to the USEITI IA no later than ~~XXX~~, **2017**. Companies can submit completed Reporting Templates through email (including digitally signed PDF or a signed and scanned document) or through a mailed, physical hard copy.

Address templates submitted by mail to:

USEITI Independent Administrator  
C/O Deloitte & Touche, LLPF  
1919 North Lynn Street  
Arlington, VA 22209

Send electronic copies to the [USEITIDataCollection@Deloitte.com](mailto:USEITIDataCollection@Deloitte.com) mailbox.

**Commented [AJM1]:** Pending agreement from the MSG on the reporting period timeline.



#### **H.I. Data Security Measures**

The IA will take precautions to safeguard the data as follows:

##### **IA Responsibilities**

- The IA will provide password protected reporting templates to companies when distributed electronically.
- The IA will destroy or delete non-relevant information inadvertently provided.
- The IA will work on security-encrypted laptops and email communications will be through secure email servers.
- Each template will have a different password that addresses current government encryption standards.

##### **Reconciling Company Responsibilities**

Companies submitting the reporting template via electronic submission should utilize the following guidelines:

- Submit completed templates directly to the IA.
- The reporting templates should be password encrypted when submitted to the IA.
- If the template password has changed from the password sent with the template, please provide a separate communication to the IA to notify of the new template password.

#### **H.J. Questions and guidance regarding completion of template**

Should any questions arise while completing the reporting template, you should contact the Independent Administrator at:

[USEITIDataCollection@Deloitte.com](mailto:USEITIDataCollection@Deloitte.com)

We will reply to any such queries as soon as possible.

## Appendix A: Terms and Definitions Reference Guide

This document uses the following acronyms and abbreviations:

Abbreviation	Definition
AML	Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Program
BLM	Bureau of Land Management
BOEM	Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
BSEE	Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement
CY	Calendar Year
DOI	Department of the Interior
EITI	Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative
Form ONRR-2014	Report of Sales and Royalty Remittance
Form ONRR-4430	Solid Minerals Production and Royalty Report
Form CMP-2014	Compliance Activity Specific Report
Form OSM-1	Coal Reclamation Fee Report
IA	Independent Administrator
IRS	Internal Revenue Service
OCSLA	Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act
O&G	Oil and Gas
ONRR	The Office of Natural Resources Revenue
OSM	The Office of Surface Mining
OSMRE	The Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation and Enforcement
P&R	Production and Royalty Reporting System (see Form ONRR-4430)
USEITI	United States Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative



The United States Extractive Industries  
Transparency Initiative

## Reporting Template

General Information (Box 1)	
Corporate Entity Name	
Entity Type	
Period for Reporting	1/1/2016 - 12/31/2016

Reported Payments (Box 2)				
Government Payee	Revenue Streams		Reference to Reporting Guidelines	Amount Paid (USD \$)
ONRR				
	Royalties		Table C-1	
	Rents and Bonuses		Table C-2	
	Other Revenues		Table C-3	
	Total ONRR			
BLM				
	Bonus and First Year Rentals		Table C-4	
	Permit Fees		Table C-5	
	Other Revenues		Table C-6	
	Total BLM			
OSMRE				
	AML Fees including Audits and Late Charges		Table C-7	
	Civil Penalties including Late Charges		Table C-8	
	Total OSMRE			
IRS				
	Corporate Tax Payments to Internal Revenue Service (IRS)		Table C-9	

Voluntary Disclosure (Box 3)
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**Voluntary Disclosure** - All summary information provided on the reporting template shall be treated as public information. No detail information, if provided, shall be disclosed to any third party other than ONRR without the reporting entity's written consent, unless disclosure is required by law.

Company Contact Information (Box 4)	
Please provide contact information for someone within your company who we can contact with follow-up information about the reporting process. More than one name can be provided.	
Name: _____	Phone Number: _____
Title/Position: _____	Email Address: _____

Management Sign Off (Box 5)	
I acknowledge for and on behalf of the companies listed that the completed reporting form is a complete and accurate record to the best of my knowledge.	
Name: _____	Signature: _____
Title/Position: _____	Date: _____
Is this position at the Executive Level? (This information is for data collection purposes only)	Yes                      No

List of Parent Company Subsidiaries (Box 6)				
Company Name	Government Unique Identification Number (Example: ONRR's Payor Code)			
	ONRR	BLM	OSM	BOEM/BSEE



The United States Extractive Industries  
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## Reporting Template

General Information (Box 1)	
Corporate Entity Name	
Entity Type	
Period for Reporting	1/1/2015 - 12/31/2015

Reported Payments (Box 2)			
Government Payee	Revenue Streams	Reference to Reporting Guidelines	Amount Paid (USD \$)
<b>ONRR</b>			
	Royalties	Table C-1	
	Rents	Table C-2	
	Bonuses	Table C-3	
	Other Revenues	Table C-4	
	Offshore Inspection Fees	Table C-5	
	Civil Penalties	Table C-6	
<b>BLM</b>			
	Bonus and First Year Rentals	Table C-7	
	Permit Fees	Table C-8	
	Renewables	Table C-9	
<b>OSMRE</b>			
	AML Fees including Audits and Late Charges	Table C-10	
	Civil Penalties including Late Charges	Table C-11	
<b>IRS</b>			
	Corporate Tax Payments to Internal Revenue Service (IRS)	Table C-12	

Voluntary Disclosure (Box 3)

**Voluntary Disclosure** - All summary information provided on the reporting template shall be treated as public information. No detail information, if provided, shall be disclosed to any third party other than ONRR without the reporting entity's written consent, unless disclosure is required by law.

### Tax Payment Reconciliation

(Box 4)

We are willing to participate in reconciliation of our corporate tax payments. (please indicate Yes, No, or N/A)

Yes

No

N/A

### Additional Supporting Information

(Box 5)

We have attached further information to assist you in reconciling the payments made to the records of the relevant government agencies (please indicate Yes or No)

Yes

No

### Company Contact Information

(Box 6)

Please provide contact information for someone within your company who we can contact with follow-up questions about the information you have provided. You can provide more than one name.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Management Sign Off

(Box 7)

I acknowledge for and on behalf of the companies listed that the completed reporting form is a complete and accurate record to the best of my knowledge.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Box 8)

Company Name

Government Unique Identification Number (Example: ONRR's Payor Code)

ONRR

BLM

OSM

BOEM/BSEE

# Template EITI Beneficial Ownership Declaration Form

*Draft as of 21 April 2016*

This beneficial ownership declaration form has been issued by the EITI International Secretariat as a model template to countries that wish to collect beneficial ownership information as part of the EITI reporting process. The MSG may wish to attach this form to the reporting templates distributed to extractive companies. The MSG may wish to modify the template depending on local circumstances.

The form has 2 parts (worksheets):

Part 1 covers the company identification details

Part 2 is a beneficial ownership declaration form to be filled in for each beneficial owner. If there is more than one beneficial owner, please complete one worksheet per beneficial owner

It is required that fields marked in orange are completed by the company

It is optional that fields marked in green are completed by the company, unless the MSG decides otherwise. The MSG should decide on this and adjust the colours accordingly prior to distributing the template.

Fields **[bracketed and in red]** should be completed by the MSG prior to distributing the template.

The template includes comment boxes that provide guidance on how to complete each section. These comment boxes should be removed by the company prior to submitting the declaration form.



Company identification

	Entry	Comments
Full legal name of the company (including legal form of legal entity)	<legal name> <legal form>	
Country of registration	<country>	
Unique identification number (i.e. registration number)	<number>	
Contact address (registered office for legal entities)	<address>	
Ownership		
Publicly listed company	<choose option>	
Name of stock exchange	<text>	
Link to stock exchange filings	<URL>	
Wholly owned subsidiary of publicly listed company	<choose option>	
Name of publicly listed owner	<text>	
Privately listed company	<choose option>	
Full name of direct shareholder(s) (i.e. legal owners of company)	<text>	
Is this shareholder a natural person (NP), a legal person (LP) or a state entity (S)?	<choose option>	
Country of registration (or nationality of a natural person)	<text>	
% interest	<number>	
(add rows as necessary)		
Declaration form prepared by		
Name	<text>	
Position	<text>	
Telephone number	<text>	
Email address	<text>	

**Attestation**  
I, undersigned, for and on behalf of the reporting entity confirm that all information provided above and in the attached beneficial ownership declaration(s) is accurate and reliable.

Date	<YYYY-MM-DD>
Name	<text>
Position	<text>
Signature	<text>

Please find attached the following supporting documents verifying the accuracy of the beneficial ownership information submitted:	<text>
	<text>

Beneficial ownership declaration

In accordance with the EITI Standard, Requirement 2.i5.f.i, “a beneficial owner in respect of a company means the natural person(s) who directly or indirectly ultimately owns or controls the corporate entity”. Further to Requirement 2.5.f.ii and in accordance with the decision of the MSG, a beneficial owner is defined as:

<add definition agreed by the MSG, including specifying reporting obligations for PEPs>

In accordance with this beneficial ownership definition, as per [date] the beneficial owner/s of the company are:

Entry		Entry		Entry		Entry			
Identity of the Beneficial Owner									
Full name as it appears on national identify card	<text>								
Politically exposed person (PEP)	<choose option>								
Reason for PEP designation	<text>								
Applicable from	<YYYY-MM-DD>								
Applicable to	<YYYY-MM-DD>								
Date of Birth	<YYYY-MM-DD>								
National identity number	<number>								
Nationality	<text>								
Country of residence	<text>								
Residential address	<text>								
Service address	<text>								
Other means of contact	<text>								
Information about how ownership is held or control over the company is exercised									
By direct shares	<choose option>	Number of shares	<number>	% of shares	<number>				
By direct voting rights	<choose option>	Number of votes	<number>	% of voting rights	<number>				
By indirect shares	<choose option>	Number of indirect shares	<number>	% of indirect shares	<number>	Legal name of intermediate company 1	<text>	Unique identification number	<number>
						Legal name of intermediate company 2 (Add rows as necessary)	<text>	Unique identification number (Add rows as necessary)	<number>
By indirect voting rights	<choose option>	Number of indirect votes	<number>	% of indirect voting rights	<number>	Legal name of intermediate company 1	<text>	Unique identification number	<number>
						Legal name of intermediate company 2 (Add rows as necessary)	<text>	Unique identification number (Add rows as necessary)	<number>
By other means	<choose option>	Explanation of how ownership is exercised	<text>						
Date when beneficial interest was aquired	<YYYY-MM-DD>								

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Please let me know if you have any questions.



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I agree, we will need to continue our discussions with the CSO's, no need to collect the non-tax information for a second time since it is already collected, reconciled and reported, only the tax and beneficial ownership information needs to be collected and reported.

Thanks,

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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On Thu, Feb 16, 2017 at 7:39 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Is this the CY2017 form now? I thought to avoid confusion about different numbers and to make things more simple for companies to respond we were going to simplify this form. Since taxes and beneficial ownership is the information that we don't have and still need we were just going to ask for that.....not all the other revenue streams already disclosed at 100% on the UDW.

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Hello All,

Please find attached the updated draft Reporting Template and Reporting Guidelines document incorporating the changes requested and discussed during the call. These include:

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1. Change was made to the CY2016 Reporting Template tab to include sub-total lines for the revenue streams for ONRR, BLM, and OSMRE.
2. The CY2015 template tab is highlighted yellow. This is included solely for reference purposes and will be removed before distribution to companies.
3. The Instructions tab for the International Secretariat's Beneficial Ownership template is highlighted yellow. This is included solely for reference purposes. This information has been included in the reporting guidelines document and this tab will be removed.
4. The Beneficial Ownership tabs for Company Identification and Declaration have been left as is (as provided by Paul Bugala) for now pending additional discussion and direction from the MSG on any changes required to these templates or how they are incorporated to the existing reporting template. There remain open notes from the International Secretariat on these tabs with points of consideration for the MSG on modifications to make to the templates.

#### Reporting Guidelines

1. A new section has been added to the Introduction section of the document to indicate specifically the new changes for the 2017 reporting process. These include the elimination of the reconciliation process, the changes to revenue streams, and the addition of the beneficial ownership request.
2. A new section G has been added to the document to provide information on the Beneficial Ownership parts of the template. This section is subject to further updates

pending any further revisions to the Beneficial Ownership templates, as indicated above.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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Hello All,

Please find attached the updated draft Reporting Template and Reporting Guidelines document incorporating the changes requested and discussed during the call. These include:

#### Reporting Template

1. Change was made to the CY2016 Reporting Template tab to include sub-total lines for the revenue streams for ONRR, BLM, and OSMRE.
2. The CY2015 template tab is highlighted yellow. This is included solely for reference purposes and will be removed before distribution to companies.
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4. The Beneficial Ownership tabs for Company Identification and Declaration have been left as is (as provided by Paul Bugala) for now pending additional discussion and direction from the MSG on any changes required to these templates or how they are incorporated to the existing reporting template. There remain open notes from the International Secretariat on these tabs with points of consideration for the MSG on modifications to make to the templates.

## Reporting Guidelines

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2. A new section G has been added to the document to provide information on the Beneficial Ownership parts of the template. This section is subject to further updates pending any further revisions to the Beneficial Ownership templates, as indicated above.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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Thanks,  
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All –

I hope you are having a nice week. Attached please find the updated reporting template and guidelines document we will discuss tomorrow. The most notable change to this is that the template now includes the Beneficial Ownership information for reporting, as requested during the February MSG.

Thanks,  
Sarah

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We need to work this all out in the Subcommittee and then the Subcommittee will make a recommendation to the full MSG at the June meeting. Still a lot of work to do, as well as the need to have our Secretary confirmed.

Thanks,

Greg

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On Thu, Feb 16, 2017 at 8:27 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

So what does that mean for 2017? Or specifically what does this mean for outreach to the companies for 2017? When is that happening? How? And with what template? I heard you say before that it will be a federal register notice. Who is discussing this? Who should be discussing this? Because I assume that the IA is not doing outreach to companies anymore correct?

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Ok thanks! I just wanted to understand the process to make sure this wasn't something that I should be including in my subcommittee agenda. I think the your subcommittee is a good place for he discussion because it is an important one especially given the timing.

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We need to work this all out in the Subcommittee and then the Subcommittee will make a recommendation to the full MSG at the June meeting. Still a lot of work to do, as well as the need to have our Secretary confirmed.

Thanks,

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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On Thu, Feb 16, 2017 at 8:27 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

So what does that mean for 2017? Or specifically what does this mean for outreach to the companies for 2017? When is that happening? How? And with what template? I heard you say before that it will be a federal register notice. Who is discussing this? Who should be discussing this? Because I assume that the IA is not doing outreach to companies anymore correct?

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I agree, we will need to continue our discussions with the CSO's, no need to collect the non-tax information for a second time since it is already collected, reconciled and reported, only the tax and beneficial ownership information needs to be collected and reported.

Thanks,

Greg

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On Thu, Feb 16, 2017 at 7:39 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Is this the CY2017 form now? I thought to avoid confusion about different numbers and to make things more simple for companies to respond we were going to simplify this form. Since taxes and beneficial ownership is the information that we don't have and still need we were just going to ask for that.....not all the other revenue streams already disclosed at 100% on the UDW.

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Hello All,

Please find attached the updated draft Reporting Template and Reporting Guidelines document incorporating the changes requested and discussed during the call. These include:

Reporting Template

1. Change was made to the CY2016 Reporting Template tab to include sub-total lines for the revenue streams for ONRR, BLM, and OSMRE.
2. The CY2015 template tab is highlighted yellow. This is included solely for reference purposes

and will be removed before distribution to companies.

3. The Instructions tab for the International Secretariat's Beneficial Ownership template is highlighted yellow. This is included solely for reference purposes. This information has been included in the reporting guidelines document and this tab will be removed.
4. The Beneficial Ownership tabs for Company Identification and Declaration have been left as is (as provided by Paul Bugala) for now pending additional discussion and direction from the MSG on any changes required to these templates or how they are incorporated to the existing reporting template. There remain open notes from the International Secretariat on these tabs with points of consideration for the MSG on modifications to make to the templates.

## Reporting Guidelines

1. A new section has been added to the Introduction section of the document to indicate specifically the new changes for the 2017 reporting process. These include the elimination of the reconciliation process, the changes to revenue streams, and the addition of the beneficial ownership request.
2. A new section G has been added to the document to provide information on the Beneficial Ownership parts of the template. This section is subject to further updates pending any further revisions to the Beneficial Ownership templates, as indicated above.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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Agreed, we will continue to work through all the details and then set up a plan for next steps.

Greg

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On Thu, Feb 16, 2017 at 8:53 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Ok thanks! I just wanted to understand the process to make sure this wasn't something that I should be including in my subcommittee agenda. I think the your subcommittee is a good place for the discussion because it is an important one especially given the timing.

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We need to work this all out in the Subcommittee and then the Subcommittee will make a recommendation to the full MSG at the June meeting. Still a lot of work to do, as well as the need to have our Secretary confirmed.

Thanks,

Greg

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On Thu, Feb 16, 2017 at 8:27 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

So what does that mean for 2017? Or specifically what does this mean for outreach to the companies for 2017? When is that happening? How? And with what template? I heard you say before that it will be a federal register notice. Who is discussing this? Who should be discussing this? Because I assume that the IA is not doing outreach to companies anymore correct?

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I agree, we will need to continue our discussions with the CSO's, no need to collect the non-tax information for a second time since it is already collected, reconciled and reported, only the tax and beneficial ownership information needs to be collected and reported.

Thanks,

Greg

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On Thu, Feb 16, 2017 at 7:39 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Is this the CY2017 form now? I thought to avoid confusion about different numbers and to make things more simple for companies to respond we were going to simplify this form. Since taxes and beneficial ownership is the information that we don't have and still need we were just going to ask for that.....not all the other revenue streams already disclosed at 100% on the UDW.

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Hello All,

Please find attached the updated draft Reporting Template and Reporting Guidelines document incorporating the changes requested and discussed during the call. These include:

#### Reporting Template

1. Change was made to the CY2016 Reporting Template tab to include sub-total lines for the revenue streams for ONRR, BLM, and OSMRE.
2. The CY2015 template tab is highlighted yellow. This is included solely for reference purposes and will be removed before distribution to companies.
3. The Instructions tab for the International Secretariat's Beneficial Ownership template is highlighted yellow. This is included solely for reference purposes. This information has been included in the reporting guidelines document and this tab will be removed.
4. The Beneficial Ownership tabs for Company Identification and Declaration have been left as is (as provided by Paul Bugala) for now pending additional discussion and direction from the MSG on any changes required to these templates or how they are incorporated to the existing reporting template. There remain open notes from the International Secretariat on these tabs with points of consideration for the MSG on modifications to make to the templates.

#### Reporting Guidelines

1. A new section has been added to the Introduction section of the document to indicate specifically the new changes for the 2017 reporting process. These include the elimination of the reconciliation process, the changes to revenue streams, and the addition of the beneficial ownership request.
2. A new section G has been added to the document to provide information on the Beneficial Ownership parts of the template. This section is subject to further updates pending any further revisions to the Beneficial Ownership templates, as indicated above.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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All –

I hope you are having a nice week. Attached please find the updated reporting template and guidelines document we will discuss tomorrow. The most notable change to this is that the template now includes the Beneficial Ownership information for reporting, as requested during the February MSG.

Thanks,  
Sarah

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**Subject:** Re: Updated Invitation: USEITI Implementation Subcommittee @ Weekly from 11am to 12:30pm on Wednesday (greg.gould@onrr.gov)  
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During the Implementation Subcommittee meeting I asked the IA to make sure to run by the Outreach and Communication Subcommittee any communication that went out to companies this year regarding reporting because we are using a different approach this year. There will be new companies that are unaware of the initiative and voluntary reporting and there will be companies that have reported before that will not be the same as the reporting this year.

I thought the Outreach and Communications Subcommittee would have something to offer regarding messaging to companies.

On Thu, Feb 16, 2017 at 10:53 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Ok thanks! I just wanted to understand the process to make sure this wasn't something that I should be including in my subcommittee agenda. I think the your subcommittee is a good place for he discussion because it is an important one especially given the timing.

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**From:** Gould, Greg [mailto:[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 16, 2017 10:42 AM  
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We need to work this all out in the Subcommittee and then the Subcommittee will make a recommendation to the full MSG at the June meeting. Still a lot of work to do, as well as the need to have our Secretary confirmed.

Thanks,

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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On Thu, Feb 16, 2017 at 8:27 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

So what does that mean for 2017? Or specifically what does this mean for outreach to the companies for 2017? When is that happening? How? And with what template? I heard you say before that it will be a federal register notice. Who is discussing this? Who should be discussing this? Because I assume that the IA is not doing outreach to companies anymore correct?

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I agree, we will need to continue our discussions with the CSO's, no need to collect the non-tax information for a second time since it is already collected, reconciled and reported, only the tax and beneficial ownership information needs to be collected and reported.

Thanks,

Greg

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On Thu, Feb 16, 2017 at 7:39 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Is this the CY2017 form now? I thought to avoid confusion about different numbers and to make things more simple for companies to respond we were going to simplify this form. Since taxes and beneficial ownership is the information that we don't have and still need we were just going to ask for that.....not all the other revenue streams already disclosed at 100% on the UDW.

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Hello All,

Please find attached the updated draft Reporting Template and Reporting Guidelines document incorporating the changes requested and discussed during the call. These include:

#### Reporting Template

1. Change was made to the CY2016 Reporting Template tab to include sub-total lines for the revenue streams for ONRR, BLM, and OSMRE.
2. The CY2015 template tab is highlighted yellow. This is included solely for reference purposes and will be removed before distribution to companies.
3. The Instructions tab for the International Secretariat's Beneficial Ownership template is highlighted yellow. This is included solely for reference purposes. This information has been included in the reporting guidelines document and this tab will be removed.
4. The Beneficial Ownership tabs for Company Identification and Declaration have been left as is (as provided by Paul Bugala) for now pending additional discussion and direction from the MSG on any changes required to these templates or how they are incorporated to the existing reporting template. There remain open notes from the International Secretariat on these tabs with points of consideration for the MSG on modifications to make to the templates.

#### Reporting Guidelines

1. A new section has been added to the Introduction section of the document to indicate specifically the new changes for the 2017 reporting process. These include the elimination of the reconciliation process, the changes to revenue streams, and the addition of the beneficial ownership request.
2. A new section G has been added to the document to provide information on the Beneficial Ownership parts of the template. This section is subject to further updates pending any further revisions to the Beneficial Ownership templates, as indicated above.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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All –

I hope you are having a nice week. Attached please find the updated reporting template and guidelines document we will discuss tomorrow. The most notable change to this is that the template now includes the Beneficial Ownership information for reporting, as requested during the February MSG.

Thanks,  
Sarah

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**To:** Aaron Padilla <padillaa@api.org>  
**Subject:** Thank you!

Aaron,

I want to thank you for all you have done for USEITI to date, and for how you handled a difficult day today, truly the professional I have known for years now, well done.

Best regards,

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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**To:** "Gould, Greg" <greg.gould@onrr.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Thank you!

Thank you so much, Greg. This note means a lot as I continue to process the day.

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Thank you again for reaching out and for helping to make today easier for me.

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On Feb 1, 2017, at 16:20, Gould, Greg <[greg.gould@onrr.gov](mailto:greg.gould@onrr.gov)> wrote:

Aaron,

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Best regards,

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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**Subject:** Re: Thank you!

I look forward to continuing to work with you on this process, we will figure out a path forward, it may look a little different after today.

Thanks again!

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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Aaron,

I want to thank you for all you have done for USEITI to date, and for how you handled a difficult day today, truly the professional I have known for years now, well done.

Best regards,

Greg

*Gregory J. Gould*

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Thanks Judy - no comments.

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**Sent:** Friday, December 09, 2016 9:41 PM  
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**To:** "Kohler, Veronika" <VKohler@nma.org>  
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Hmm, not very inclusive. :)

*Gregory J. Gould*

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Additionally, please do not share the webinar info with anyone else since this is an internal NMA meeting. Also, Judy and Greg, I am ok if you guys want to listen in, to hear the conversation but I think members may feel more open they don't think government is on the call.

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Great! I am excited!

They have background on EITI so I think we can skip that. If someone ends up asking a general question on USEITI I can go ahead and answer or talk to them off line. I will probably ask a company to be the guinea pig (do we still say that??) so we can get some participation. So we can look up Freeport revenues for example.

I am not sure how many coal companies will join us but still think we should go over AML anyway, in addition to a country case study (either copper or gold), a state that will opt in and any info we have on that (Wyoming?), state transfers, resource to revenue, etc

Hopefully they will get excited and start asking questions.

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We got a calendar invite, but it just has the time, no details.

As for something the companies might find interesting, is there anything you'd suggest? You know your folks better than I do, I'm sure! Otherwise, I imagine doing a walk-through and pausing for questions often will lead us to the areas people are most interested in.

Question: how much background will the people on the call have in EITI? Should one of us do a bit of background on the project overall?

Thanks!  
Michelle

On Wed, Jan 11, 2017 at 7:27 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Wednesday 25 at 1pm eastern??

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On Jan 10, 2017, at 2:29 PM, Michelle Hertzfeld <[michelle.hertzfeld@gsa.gov](mailto:michelle.hertzfeld@gsa.gov)> wrote:

I'm guessing the hold for tomorrow is a no-go. Will the last week of January work?

Best,  
Michelle

On Fri, Jan 6, 2017 at 1:58 PM, Michelle Hertzfeld <[michelle.hertzfeld@gsa.gov](mailto:michelle.hertzfeld@gsa.gov)> wrote:

Hi Veronika!

I missed your email, my apologies. Neither Corey nor myself are based in DC, and don't have plans to be there soon. I still have a hold on my calendar for next week, but if that isn't available anymore, the last week of January would be fine!

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Michelle

On Tue, Jan 3, 2017 at 8:13 AM, Kohler, Veronika <[VKohler@nma.org](mailto:VKohler@nma.org)> wrote:

Dear Michelle,

Happy New Year! I just wanted to touch base on this. Are you not based in DC? If not, when do you plan to be here next. I would definitely prefer to have you at the office in person but will accept your participation remotely if that is not possible. Thank you for your expeditious response so that I can know if I should get the word out.

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Thanks. End of an era. Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone. From: Wilson, Judith Sent: Thursday, November 2, 2017 7:07 AM To: Watson, Micah L Subject: Fwd: USEITI ----- Forwarded message ----- From: Wilson, Judith <judith.wilson@onrr.gov Date: Thu, Nov 2, 2017 at 7:01 AM Subject: USEITI To: EITI International Secretariat <secretariat@eiti.org, Jonas Moberg <JMoberg@eiti.org, Sam Bartlett <SBartlett@eiti.org Please see the attached letter from the U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Natural Resources Revenue. -- Judy Wilson Program Manager Information and Data Management Program Office of Natural Resources Revenue judith.wilson@onrr.gov<mailto:judith.wilson@onrr.gov> 202-208-4410 -- Judy Wilson Program Manager Information and Data Management Program Office of Natural Resources Revenue judith.wilson@onrr.gov<mailto:judith.wilson@onrr.gov> 202-208-4410

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Hi Sam. Yes, please direct all media inquiries to Vince Campos and me. Thanks.

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**Cc:** Jonas Moberg <[JMoberg@eiti.org](mailto:JMoberg@eiti.org)>; Davy, R. Chris <[DavyRC@state.gov](mailto:DavyRC@state.gov)>; Campos, Vincent M <[CamposVM@state.gov](mailto:CamposVM@state.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: USEITI

Hi Micah. We'll send it to you as soon as it is finalised. / SB

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**From:** Watson, Micah L [<mailto:WatsonML@state.gov>]  
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**To:** Sam Bartlett <[SBartlett@eiti.org](mailto:SBartlett@eiti.org)>; Wilson, Judith <[judith.wilson@onrr.gov](mailto:judith.wilson@onrr.gov)>; Greg Gould (<[Greg.Gould@onrr.gov](mailto:Greg.Gould@onrr.gov)>) <[Greg.Gould@onrr.gov](mailto:Greg.Gould@onrr.gov)>  
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**Subject:** RE: USEITI

Sam, sorry, but could Team USA obtain an as-early-as-possible copy of Fredrik's statement?

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**From:** Sam Bartlett [<mailto:SBartlett@eiti.org>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 02, 2017 7:46 AM  
**To:** Wilson, Judith; Greg Gould (<[Greg.Gould@onrr.gov](mailto:Greg.Gould@onrr.gov)>)  
**Cc:** Jonas Moberg; Watson, Micah L; Davy, R. Chris  
**Subject:** RE: USEITI

Dear Judith,

I acknowledge receipt. We plan to make the letter publicly available. Fredrik will also issue a statement. I would be grateful if you could confirm that any media inquiries should be directed to the State Department, via Micah Watson.

Regards  
Sam

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**From:** Wilson, Judith [<mailto:judith.wilson@onrr.gov>]  
**Sent:** torsdag 2. november 2017 12.01  
**To:** EITI International Secretariat <[Secretariat@eiti.org](mailto:Secretariat@eiti.org)>; Jonas Moberg <[JMoberg@eiti.org](mailto:JMoberg@eiti.org)>; Sam Bartlett <[SBartlett@eiti.org](mailto:SBartlett@eiti.org)>  
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Please see the attached letter from the U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Natural Resources Revenue.

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## OFFICE OF NATURAL RESOURCES REVENUE

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Mr. Fredrik Reinfeldt  
Chair, Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative Board  
Ruseløkkveien 26  
0251 Oslo  
Norway

Dear Chair Reinfeldt:

The United States has made significant progress meeting individual requirements of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) since the fall of 2011 when the U.S. announced that it would begin the multi-year process of becoming an EITI compliant country. The Department of the Interior established a multi-stakeholder group in December 2012 and achieved Candidate Country status in March 2014. Perhaps our most significant accomplishment is the creation of an open source, open code interactive web-based data portal (<https://useiti.doi.gov>) on which the agency has unilaterally disclosed 2013, 2014, and 2015 revenues by company, commodity, and revenue type, as well as production data across all commodities. This portal is the new global standard in revenue governance transparency. We are happy to report that use by state, local and tribal governments is increasing as well. While the U.S. government remains committed to fighting corruption in the extractive industries sector, and the ideals of transparency enshrined in the EITI Principles and the EITI Standard, it is clear that domestic implementation of EITI does not fully account for the U.S. legal framework. Effective immediately, therefore, the United States must withdraw as an EITI Implementing Country.

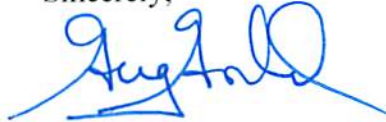
The Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR), which maintains the primary role in the U.S. Government for the collection and disbursement of revenue related to energy and non-energy mineral resources, remains fully committed to institutionalizing the EITI principles of transparency and accountability consistent with U.S. law. ONRR intends to mainstream government reporting of energy production and the associated revenue collection and disbursement. ONRR is also committed to continue its efforts to promote public awareness and engage stakeholders in a public conversation of the potential impacts of proposed policies and regulations related to revenue collection from such development. We will continue to unilaterally disclose revenue payments received for extractive operations on federal land through our open data portal, and we will continue to improve our reporting through the inclusion of additional states and tribes.

Please know that the U.S. Department of State will continue to lead the United States' commitment to the EITI as a Supporting Country, a role that the United States has played since the beginning of the initiative. The U.S. political and financial support of the EITI over many

years has been second to none. In conjunction with the U.S. Agency for International Development, the State Department will continue to promote transparency, fight corruption and ensure good governance, as well as to support country-level EITI implementation. We continue to value the EITI as a critical tool to promote transparency, increase competitiveness, and combat corruption around the world.

Despite the fact that the U. S. laws prevent us from meeting specific provisions of the EITI Standard, we look forward to working together to promote transparency, fight corruption and ensure good governance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gregory J. Gould", with a stylized flourish extending from the bottom left.

Gregory J. Gould  
Director



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**From:** Jennifer Malcolm <[jennifer.malcolm@onrr.gov](mailto:jennifer.malcolm@onrr.gov)>

**Sent:** Fri Jun 30 2017 08:36:00 GMT-0600 (MDT)

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**To:** "Watson, Micah L" <[watsonml@state.gov](mailto:watsonml@state.gov)>

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**From:** Sam Bartlett <[SBartlett@eiti.org](mailto:SBartlett@eiti.org)>  
**Sent:** Fri Aug 11 2017 07:44:10 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** "Wilson, Judith" <[judith.wilson@onrr.gov](mailto:judith.wilson@onrr.gov)>  
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**Sent:** Mon Aug 14 2017 05:47:31 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
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**Subject:** Re: USEITI 2016 Annual Activity Report

Thank you! I should have remembered too.

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On Fri, Aug 11, 2017 at 9:44 AM, Sam Bartlett <[SBartlett@eiti.org](mailto:SBartlett@eiti.org)> wrote:

Hi Judith,

Has the 2016 Annual Activity Report been published online?

Regards  
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**Subject:** USEITI 2016 Annual Activity Report

Sam and Jonas,

I hope all is well with you both. I am transmitting our 2016 Annual Activity Report as approved by the Co-Chairs on June 22nd. A light week next week as we take time to celebrate Independence Day.

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## United States EITI Annual Progress Report 2016

### 1. General assessment of year's performance:

*In accordance with requirement 7.4(a)(i), provide a short summary of EITI activities undertaken in the previous year. The multi-stakeholder group may wish to outline how these activities relate to the objectives in the work plan.*

In December 2016, the United States submitted the second USEITI report to the EITI International Board. This highlights the U.S.' commitment to implementing EITI and enhancing transparency and good governance of extractive sector revenues, both domestically and globally.

As part of the ongoing effort, the USEITI Multi-Stakeholder Group (MSG) met three times in 2016, and conducted ongoing work through the USEITI subcommittees: Implementation, Communications, and State and Tribal Opt-In, along with the various working groups of these subcommittees. The MSG meetings were open to the public, with meeting materials posted online two weeks in advance of each meeting, and meeting summary materials posted following each meeting. In addition, members of the public were able to observe and participate in meetings remotely via video presentation and telephone, and they were given opportunities on each day of the meetings to provide public comment to MSG members. Summaries from subcommittee meetings are also posted online.

The MSG and the Independent Administrator (IA) worked closely throughout 2016 to produce the second USEITI report. The IA created project plans for both the reporting and reconciliation and the contextual information portions of the report and helped the USEITI MSG produce its second report. The IA also updated content from the 2015 USEITI Report; created new content for the 2016 Report; and coordinated with the team from the U.S. Government's digital services consultancy, GSA (General Services Administration) 18F, to design and create the 2016 USEITI Report.

The MSG and other members of the USEITI team also conducted public outreach to diverse constituencies, as outlined in the USEITI Communications and Outreach Plan. USEITI's key outreach goals for 2016 included conducting outreach to industry to encourage their involvement in the USEITI process, conducting outreach to states and tribal governments to encourage their participation in USEITI, keeping Congress informed on U.S. implementation efforts, and educating all stakeholders about the benefits of U.S. implementation of EITI.

Building upon its first report in 2015, the USEITI MSG prioritized several key activities in 2016 to strengthen the information presented, further participation in EITI, and increase transparency and public awareness.

In 2016, the USEITI MSG prioritized:

- Encouraging state and tribal participation
- Improving public engagement and outreach
- Increasing industry reporting and reconciliation

The MSG tasked the completion of these goals to its three subcommittees: Implementation, Communications, and State and Tribal Opt-In. The Implementation Subcommittee focused on industry reporting and reconciliation and explored how the U.S. can comply with changes to the EITI Standard in 2016, notably beneficial ownership and mainstreaming revenue reporting. The State & Tribal Subcommittee worked to increase state and tribal participation in USEITI. The Outreach & Communications Subcommittee sought to increase public awareness of, and engagement with, USEITI.

The MSG identified increasing state and tribal participation in USEITI as a goal for 2016 and tasked the State & Tribal Subcommittee with spearheading those efforts. The subcommittee conducted conversations and worked with state and tribal officials, some of whom are members of the MSG and the subcommittee, to encourage them to “opt in” to USEITI. Three additional states chose to opt in: Alaska, Montana, and Wyoming. All three states are among the 18 that the MSG prioritized in 2015 as centers of extractive industries activity in the U.S. The three states provided data on revenues, distribution of those revenues, and legal and fiscal governance of extractive industries, as well as the economic impact of extraction in their states. Additionally, on the 18 prioritized state pages on the USEITI data portal, we increased disclosure of publically available state information. The MSG also furthered local accountability and transparency in this year’s report by updating 12 county case studies that depict the impact of specific extractive industries on local communities.

In an effort to improve public understanding and inform discussions around extractive industries in the United States, USEITI developed new contextual narrative sections for the 2016 USEITI report. In addition to the state opt-in section, the report covers the Abandoned Mine Land (AML) Reclamation Program, U.S. audit and assurance practices and controls, and the Coal Excise Tax.

During 2016, the US Department of the Interior’s Office of Inspector General (OIG) conducted an independent review of the USEITI program. The report was released in May 2017 and can be accessed at: <https://www.doioig.gov/reports/united-states-implementation-extractive-industries-transparency-initiative>.

2016 concluded with submission to the EITI International Board and the public release of the 2016 USEITI Report, available at: <https://useiti.doi.gov/>. The report provides a valuable resource for data and contextual information about extractives industry in the U.S. In addition to the reporting, reconciliation, and contextual aspects of the report, the U.S. government unilaterally disclosed calendar year 2014-2015 revenues paid to and collected by U.S. Department of the Interior bureaus by company, revenue type, and commodity. The online report’s user-friendly, interactive design allows members of the public to easily navigate and access information and data. The report website is also a premier resource for credible data and information on extractive resources published by other federal agencies, such as the Energy Information Administration (EIA) and the U.S. Census Bureau. The report’s data sets and visualizations can also be reused for strategic reporting, re-posting, and sending through social media, thus further informing the debate on the extractives industry.



In 2015, 31 companies reported revenues and 12 companies reported taxes. In 2016, 25 companies reported revenues and 12 companies reported taxes. For 2016, the MSG set 80% of ONRR's revenues as in-scope for reconciliation, the same level as 2015. For the 2016 USEITI report, the MSG decided on a materiality threshold of ~\$37.5 million total annual revenues reported to ONRR by a parent company, including its subsidiaries. The MSG agreed on this threshold because it would allow 80% of ONRR's revenues to be in-scope for the reconciliation. This threshold lowered the number of in-scope companies from 45 to 41. The number of in-scope revenue streams did not change. The period of the reconciliation was calendar year (CY) 2015 (January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015). While last year's report covered CY 2013, the MSG decided to use CY 2015 data for reporting and reconciliation in the 2016 USEITI report because CY 2014 and CY 2015 data will be unilaterally disclosed on the data portal, and CY 2015 data is closer to the current time period.

The various activities and accomplishments outlined above take important steps to further the U.S. national objectives for implementing the EITI standard, as stated in the 2016 USEITI Work Plan:

- Increase citizen participation;
- Increase collaboration;
- Increase government transparency;
- Enhance public access to information;
- Improve management of public resources; and
- Give the public a more informed voice in U.S. government policymaking.

For example, the MSG's collaborative decision-making process and efforts to bring more stakeholders and state and tribal jurisdictions into USEITI increased collaboration and citizen participation in government policymaking. The launch of the second USEITI report as a user-friendly, easily accessible website is a prime example of how USEITI is increasing government transparency and public access to information. Each step that USEITI takes is a step forward in improving the management of public resources in the United States.

## 2. Assessment of performance against targets and activities set out in the work plan:

*Provide an assessment of progress with achieving the objectives set out in its work plan (Requirement 1.5), including the impact and outcomes of the stated objectives (requirement 7.4(a)(iv)).*

*The multi-stakeholder group may wish to*

- *List the objectives and targets set out in the work plan, and indicate progress in achieving these.*
- *Outline the activities in the work plan, including a description of whether these activities were fulfilled. Include any further activities that were not foreseen in the work plan but contributed to the wider targets.*

The goals of the USEITI 2016 Work plan are listed below, followed by steps that we have taken toward completing each goal:

**Goal: Review, discuss and decide upon 2015 IA recommendations on the 2016 report's materiality threshold, reconciliation approach, revenue streams, margins of variance, and reporting template.**

Towards the end of 2015, the IA provided the following recommendations around revenue reporting and reconciliation to the USEITI MSG for consideration during 2016:

- As part of defining scoping for the 2016 Report, the MSG could consider defining the timeframe for reporting as the previous calendar year, as opposed to two years back (in other words, the 2016 Report would include calendar year 2015 revenue data instead of 2014 revenue data, as is currently planned). This would make it easier for companies to participate in reporting because older transactions become harder for them to track.
- Lengthen the revenue reporting period and increase outreach to, and communication with, tax professionals in reporting companies in order to increase the likelihood of company participation in corporate income tax reporting.
- Consider alternative options for reconciliation that could satisfy requirements of the EITI Standard with a lower investment of time and cost in the reconciliation process such as using a sample-based reconciliation approach or developing a portal in which reporting companies can confirm whether revenue reported as part of the unilateral disclosure match company records.
- Identify strategies to enhance the likelihood of company reporting, through enhanced communication with companies and other strategies developed jointly by the IA and the MSG.

During 2016, the USEITI MSG made the following decisions with regards to the IA's recommendations:

**Project-level reporting:** The USEITI MSG decided that reconciled payment reporting in the 2016 USEITI Report should follow the first part of Section 5.2e of the EITI Standard that states: "It is required that EITI data is presented by individual company, government entity and revenue stream." The MSG was unable to reach a consensus on a project-level reporting definition consistent with Section 5.2e in the necessary timeframe. Please see pages 1-2 of the following document for a detailed rationale for the MSG's decision regarding project-level reporting:

<https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/Reporting%20and%20Reconciliation%20Workgroup%20Recommendations.pdf>.

**Revenue streams:** The MSG considered the revenue streams to include in the 2016 USEITI Report. The discussion covered the revenue streams included in the 2015 USEITI Report, revenue streams that were intentionally excluded from the 2015 USEITI Report, as well as potential new revenue streams (e.g. forestry revenue). Based on this discussion, the MSG decided that the same revenue streams be included in the 2016 Report as were included in the 2015 Report. Please see pages 3-4 of the following document for a detailed rationale for the MSG's decision regarding revenue streams:

<https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/Reporting%20and%20Reconciliation%20Workgroup%20Recommendations.pdf>.

**Reporting template and guidelines:** The MSG discussed possible paths to streamline the burden associated with reporting and reconciling revenue streams, particularly the "ONRR Other Revenues" revenue stream. The MSG ultimately could not determine whether any changes would lower the reporting and reconciling burden without reducing the quality of these activities. As such, for the 2016 USEITI Report, no content changes were made to the reporting template and guidelines that were submitted in the 2015 USEITI Report. Please see page 5 of the following document for a detailed rationale for the MSG's decision regarding the reporting template and guidelines:



<https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/Reporting%20and%20Reconciliation%20Workgroup%20Recommendations.pdf>.

**Company materiality:** The USEITI MSG made three decisions with regards to materiality:

- 1.) The MSG considered the relevant year of data for reconciliation purposes, CY 2014 or CY 2015, and considered the advantages and disadvantages to both, and decided to use CY 2015 data in the 2016 report because it could increase company data availability and diminish the effect of company mergers, acquisitions, and divestures (e.g., which company is responsible for reporting the revenue for reconciliation). CY 2014 data would still be reported by ONRR via unilateral disclosure.
- 2.) The MSG decided to continue using the same method of company determination, specifically by using only ONRR reported revenues (as opposed to considering other revenue streams), as was used for the 2015 report.
- 3.) The MSG decided maintaining the 2015 reporting and reconciliation threshold is an important step to achieve for the 2016 USEITI Report. An 80% threshold was used for the 2015 USEITI report; the MSG decided, based on the company composition of 2015, the decisions of the MSG, and the outcomes of the 2015 report, that an 80% revenue threshold would be appropriate for the 2016 USEITI report, given that in any year the actual dollar threshold in absolute dollars will vary based on market conditions and other factors.

Please see pages 6-8 of the following document for a detailed rationale for the MSG's decision regarding company materiality:

<https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/Reporting%20and%20Reconciliation%20Workgroup%20Recommendations.pdf>.

**Sampling:** The USEITI MSG considered the use of statistical sampling as a way to streamline the reconciliation process. Based on its exploration of the issue, the MSG decided not to use sampling as the basis for reconciliation in the 2016 report. The MSG directed the IA to use 2016 data to explore the benefits and methodology of sampling that may be used in subsequent USEITI Reports and share those results with the MSG. Please see page 9 of the following document for a detailed rationale for the MSG's decision regarding sampling:

<https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/Reporting%20and%20Reconciliation%20Workgroup%20Recommendations.pdf>.

**Margin of variance:** The MSG's discussions explored raising the margin of variance percentage or floor thresholds. Through evaluation of actual 2015 USEITI Report reporting and reconciliation data, however, the MSG concluded that reconciliation volume is not very sensitive to changes in the margin of variance percentage or floor thresholds and that order of magnitude adjustments would need to be imposed to have a material effect. As a result, the MSG decided that not to change the margin of variance percentage or floor thresholds for the 2016 USEITI Report. Please see pages 10-11 of the following document for a detailed rationale for the MSG's decision regarding margin of variance:

<https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/Reporting%20and%20Reconciliation%20Workgroup%20Recommendations.pdf>.

**Goal:** Explore means to increase 2016 tax reporting and consider implications of SEC 1504 regulations issued for final public comment in December 2015.

The MSG took the following key steps to encourage and increase corporate income tax reporting in its 2016 report:

- The Treasury Department and the IA led meeting/webinars with in-scope firms' tax staff (in Houston and Denver, spring 2016). The goal of these meetings was to ensure greater understanding, encourage companies' tax staff to participate in USEITI tax reporting/reconciliation, and reduce the burden on the IA and industry by answering as many questions as possible before reporting and reconciliation began.
- Discussions between industry members and within trade associations following the EITI Conference in Lima were continued. Specifically, trade associations and companies discussed the benefits of participating in USEITI with other in-scope companies, with a focus on participating in income tax reporting.
- The MSG decided to allow companies that were not formally in-scope for USEITI 2016 reporting to voluntarily report and/or reconcile federal corporate income taxes and DOI revenue as part of their corporate citizenship and transparency efforts. This effort was supplementary to EITI reporting requirements.

**Goal: Advance tribal and state opt-in, explore opt-in with one or a few states and tribes as pilots and include tribal case studies in Contextual Narrative.**

USEITI took significant steps to advance tribal and state opt-in during 2016. These steps included:

- Defining a methodology for selecting tribes to opt into USEITI. The methodology consists of the following four questions: 1.) Does the tribe overlap with an MSG-prioritized state? 2.) Is the tribe represented on the MSG or in STRAC? 3.) Does the tribe make extractive data publicly available? 4.) Has the tribe shown a willingness to be transparent?
- Defining a process to pilot the state opt-in process, including: integrating new participants, assessing currently available data, testing contextual narrative templates with stakeholders, and developing the state and tribal additions.
- Piloting the state opt-in process with the State of Montana.
- Developing a state and tribal opt-in template based on the Montana model and distributing this template to states and tribes opting into USEITI to provide them with guidance about revenue reporting for participation in USEITI while also allowing them the opportunity to suggest additional commodities and revenue streams that are locally significant.
- In addition to Montana, achieving opt-in from the states of Alaska and Wyoming.
- Engaging with the Blackfeet Tribe around possible opt-in to USEITI.
- Securing membership on the MSG from the following three tribes: the Blackfeet Nation, the Choctaw Nation, and the Eastern Shoshone & Northern Arapaho Tribes.
- Determining that tribes cannot be considered "subnational entities" under EITI standards. Tribes are sovereign entities and own their mineral resources. When the federal government collects revenue on these lands, it does so as a trustee and directs all of it back to the tribes. This trust responsibility prohibits the federal government from releasing data or compelling the tribes to release it.

**Goal: Implement project level reporting for unilateral disclosure by DOI by December 2016.**

The federal government decided to maintain its unilateral disclosure of revenue data at the company level until SEC rule 1504 is finalized, at which point it would move to project-level reporting to the extent allowable by US law.

The federal government also mooted, for the MSG's consideration, the potential for the government to move forward with lease-level unilateral disclosure, a step beyond the unilateral disclosure of calendar year 2013-2015 revenues at the company, revenue stream, and commodity levels.

**Goal: Discuss a process for the inclusion of forestry in future USEITI reports.**

The MSG discussed considerations around introducing additional commodities, including forestry, to the scope of USEITI. A representative from the US Bureau of Land Management (BLM) made a presentation at the March 2016 MSG meeting about the Bureau's forest and woodland public land management program. This discussion set up the MSG to consider the addition of a "special highlight on forestry" to the contextual narrative portion of the 2017 USEITI report in early 2017.

**Goal: Explore a process for company project level reporting and reconciliation post the SEC final rule.**

On June 27, 2016 a significant step towards transparency was achieved when the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) announced it adopted rules to require resource extraction issuers to disclose payments made to governments for the commercial development of oil, natural gas or minerals. The rules, mandated by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act Section 1504, were intended to further the statutory objective to advance U.S. foreign policy interests by promoting greater transparency about payments related to resource extraction. The regulation would substantially assist the implementation of USEITI. It defined "project" at the contract level and required the reporting of taxes. The SEC also, by separate order, determined that compliance with USEITI was "substantially similar" to the regulation, such that participation with USEITI, with some exceptions, would satisfy the requirements of the rule. The rules would become effective in 2018 with company reporting to begin in 2019.

The draft rule was discussed at a high level at the June 27-28 MSG meeting, with participants noting that:

- The definition of "project" in the SEC rule appears to have been drafted to align closely with EU and Canadian regulations.
- Throughout the rule, the SEC references the EU and Canadian regulations, as well as EITI and USEITI, in an apparent effort to align with these other entities.
- It seems that USEITI would be working at cross-purposes of this emerging consensus if it were to define "project" distinctly from these precedents.

The next MSG meeting was held on November 16-17, 2016, following US presidential and congressional elections in early November. Based on the election results and associated concerns about the future prospects of the SEC's rule for Section 1504, the MSG did not pursue further discussion about developing a process for company project level reporting and reconciliation at this meeting.



### 3. Assessment of performance against EITI requirements

*Provide an assessment of progress in meeting and/or maintaining compliance with each of the EITI requirements (requirement 7.4(a)(ii)). This should include any actions undertaken to prepare for implementation of the EITI Standard, including addressing issues such as revenue management and expenditure (5.3), transportation payments (4.4), discretionary social expenditures (6.1), ad-hoc sub-national transfers (5.2), beneficial ownership and progress against the roadmap (2.5), and contracts (2.4). The multi-stakeholder group may wish to conduct a requirement-by-requirement assessment using the table below, or use the pre-validation assessment tools to conduct a self-assessment of compliance with the EITI requirements. These tools are available [here](#) (add links and further details when these are updated)*

*The multi-stakeholder group may also consider peer reviewing progress in compliance with the EITI requirements with another EITI implementing country. This can be done by getting in touch with the peer country directly or with support from the International Secretariat.*

Requirements:	Progress made against requirement in 2016:
1.1 - Government engagement	<p>On September 20, 2011, while in New York for the United Nations General Assembly, President Barack Obama gave an address to the Open Government Partnership, where he committed to implement the EITI in the U.S.:          “We’re continuing our leadership of the global effort against corruption, by building on legislation that now requires oil, gas, and mining companies to disclose the payments that foreign governments demand of them. Today, I can announce that the United States will join the global initiative in which these industries, governments and civil society, all work together for greater transparency so that taxpayers receive every dollar they’re due from the extraction of natural resources.”</p> <p>In October 2015, the Administration issued the third U.S. Open Government National Action Plan, which includes a wide range of actions to strengthen, deepen the U.S. commitment to an open government that is transparent and accountable. The National Action Plan commits the U.S. to continue to “work toward fully complying with the EITI standard, including publishing the first United States EITI report in 2015, and to achieve EITI compliance no later than 2017.”</p> <p>On October 25, 2011, the White House announced the appointment of the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) as the senior U.S. official responsible for successful U.S. implementation of EITI. The Secretary delegated USEITI implementation responsibilities to the Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management and Budget to serve as National Coordinator and Chair of the MSG. The Deputy Assistant Secretary for Natural Resources Revenue Management, Paul Mussenden, who reports to the Assistant Secretary, was appointed Deputy National Coordinator and alternate Chair for USEITI and is tasked with the day-to-day management of USEITI implementation.</p> <p>Senior government officials from federal agencies (Department of the Interior,</p>

	Department of the Treasury), states and inter-state bodies (State of Wyoming, State of California, Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission), and tribal governments (Blackfoot Nation, Choctaw Nation, Eastern Shoshone & Northern Arapaho Tribes) all participated in MSG meetings in 2016. Please see Section 9 of this progress report for a detailed breakdown of government official participation.
1.2 – Company engagement	Companies are fully, actively, and effectively engaged in the USEITI process. More than ten different companies, along with three industry associations, represent the extractive industry sector on the USEITI MSG. These representatives are active participants in leading subcommittees and work groups and in participating in deliberations and decision-making. Please see Section 9 of this progress report for a detailed breakdown of industry participation.
1.3 – Civil society engagement	Civil society organizations are fully, actively, and effectively engaged in the USEITI process. More than fifteen different civil society organizations represent the civil society sector on the USEITI MSG. These representatives are active participants in leading subcommittees and work groups and in participating in deliberations and decision-making. Please see Section 9 of this progress report for a detailed breakdown of civil society participation.
1.4 – Multi-stakeholder group	<p>The U.S. Government conducted outreach and established an MSG in 2012 consisting of eight representatives each from the industry and civil society sectors, along with alternates, and five representatives from the government sector, thereby leaving seats open for state and tribal representatives to join the government caucus. Since that time, two state representatives and three tribal representatives have joined the MSG.</p> <p>In 2016, there were three MSG meetings and three open nomination periods for individuals to represent stakeholder constituencies from government, civil society, and industry to fill current MSG member and alternate vacancies and to create a roster of candidates in case of future vacancies.</p> <p>During 2016, the MSG approved updated Terms of Reference for itself. These updated terms are intended to be more forward-looking than the previous ToR, which was drafted and agreed-upon at the inception of the MSG. The ToR includes provisions regarding the MSG's role, responsibilities, and rights; the MSG's role around approving work plans, EITI reports, and annual progress reports; and the MSG's internal governance and procedures. The final, approved version of the 2016 ToR is available online at: <a href="https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/msg_updated_useiti_terms_of_reference_06282016.pdf">https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/msg_updated_useiti_terms_of_reference_06282016.pdf</a>.</p> <p>In August 2016, The Secretary of the Interior gave public notice in the Federal Register of the renewal of the United States Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (USEITI) Federal Advisory Committee (Committee) to advise the</p>

	<p>Department on the implementation of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative, which requires governments to publicly disclose their revenues from oil, gas, and mining assets and for companies to make parallel disclosures regarding payments. (Federal Register /Vol. 81, No. 157 /Monday, August 15, 2016 /Notices).</p>
1.5 – Work plan	<p>The U.S. national objectives for implementing the EITI standard are rooted in the fundamentals of the Open Government Partnership, predicated on nobody having a monopoly on wisdom; the importance of civil society and the private sector having significant inputs into the decision making that governments do; and predicated on a philosophy that we have a responsibility to advance the interests of our citizens. The national objectives are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase citizen participation.</li> <li>• Increase collaboration.</li> <li>• Increase government transparency.</li> <li>• Enhance public access to information.</li> <li>• Improve management of public resources.</li> <li>• Give the public a more informed voice in shaping natural resource development.</li> </ul> <p>In addition to reconciliation, the U.S. has, as part of its EITI process, provided additional data where meaningful and feasible. These disclosures are intended to provide an unprecedented level of detail about revenue collections and reporting, demonstrating a robust and credible transparency framework. This additional data includes a publicly sourced narrative and unilateral disclosure of government revenue collection records.</p> <p><i>Consultation with key stakeholders, and endorsement by the MSG:</i> The Work Plan Work Group, a sub-unit of the Implementation Subcommittee, developed and regularly updates the work plan. The work group is made up of members from all three sectors represented on the MSG. The USEITI MSG reviews the work group's recommended work plan at each MSG meeting, revises it as needed, and endorses the updated work plan.</p> <p>The work plan is structured around measurable and time-bound activities to achieve the agreed objectives.</p> <p><i>Capacity constraints:</i> There were no significant capacity constraints identified during 2016 in government agencies, companies, and civil society that would be an obstacle to effective EITI implementation.</p> <p><i>Scope of EITI reporting:</i> The commodities deemed to be within the scope of USEITI and included in the 2016 USEITI report are oil, gas, coal, other leasable minerals, non-fuel minerals (such as hard rock, sand, and gravel), geothermal, solar, and wind. From this list, payments to the U.S. Department of the Interior for oil, gas, coal, other leasable</p>



minerals, and non-fuel minerals, where they meet the materiality definition agreed upon by the MSG, are independently reconciled. Payments (or payment information) from all in-scope commodities are unilaterally disclosed by the Department of the Interior. In the March 2016 MSG meeting, the MSG began discussions about forestry resources and other hard rock minerals for potential inclusion in the future USEITI reports. Government and company disclosure and third party reconciliation compare data from companies on their payments to the government with data from the government on revenues collected from the companies. The USEITI Second Annual Report in 2016 included a reconciliation of U.S. Department of the Interior revenues, such as rents, royalties, bonuses, and fees collected by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Office of Natural Resources Revenue, and the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) for in-scope commodities within a reporting materiality threshold. The materiality threshold that the MSG has established balances the scale of reconciliation and the feasibility of compliance with the value of the collected data. The reconciliation process for 2016 reconciled approximately 80% of all revenues within the scope that DOI received.

*Legal or regulatory obstacles:*

There are a variety of legal obstacles to EITI implementation in the U.S., and plans to deal with these obstacles were included in the USEITI Candidacy Application. A summary of these obstacles and plans is as follows:

- **Potential legal obstacle 1:**

The Trade Secrets Act (TSA) governs the types of information that the U.S. government can disclose. So long as MSG proposals for defining company or project-level reporting are consistent with the TSA, DOI may disclose reported revenues at a company or project level to a third-party reconciler, and the information can then be made public.

**Plan to address obstacle 1:**

The second USEITI report, published in December 2016, followed the first part of Section 5.2e of the EITI Standard that states: "It is required that EITI data is presented by individual company, government entity and revenue stream." With the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission still deliberating about the rules under Section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank Act, the Company and Project Level Reporting Workgroup did not reach agreement about a definition for "project" in 2016.

- **Potential legal obstacle 2:**

Potential legal constraints were identified with respect to tax reporting: 1.) Section 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) provides that tax returns and tax return information are confidential and prohibited from disclosure, unless an exception identified in the IRC applies; 2.) The Privacy Act of 1974 only allows the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to gather information that is used for tax administration purposes. If the IRS were to collect information or develop new systems and processes for EITI, these actions would need to support tax administration objectives consistent with the Privacy Act.

**Plan to address obstacle 2:**



	<p>For the first two USEITI reports, the MSG requested that companies report the sum of all corporate income tax payments/refunds made in a calendar year by or on behalf of all of the companies included in the annual consolidated federal income tax return. In addition, the MSG encouraged companies to participate in reconciliation of their corporate income tax payments. With the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission still deliberating about the rules under Section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank Act, the MSG opted to maintain the same approach to tax reporting and reconciliation for the 2016 USEITI Report as was used in 2015.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <p><b>Potential legal obstacle 3:</b></p> <p>Rule 4.6 of the 2016 EITI Standard requires implementing countries to report on subnational revenues and payments from oil, gas, and mining. There are, however, significant practical barriers resulting from the size and complexity of the state extractive sector.</p> <p><b>Plan to address obstacle 3:</b></p> <p>USEITI reporting in the USEITI 2016 Report exceeded Rule 4.6's requirements by reporting 100% of extractives-specific revenues that the federal government collects and transfers to subnational entities, as the law requires. In addition, USEITI reporting partially complied with Rule 4.6's requirement to disclose material extractive revenues that subnational entities directly collect through a two-phased approach: under Phase I of USEITI's implementation of Rule 4.6, publically-available information about subnational entities extractives revenue collection was included in the 2016 USEITI Report; Phase II of Rule 4.6 implementation involves encouraging subnational entities to fully participate in USEITI through a voluntary "opt-in" process for future reports.</p> <p><b>Potential legal obstacle 4:</b></p> <p>The U.S. has a unique legal and political relationship with Native American Tribes and Alaska Native entities, as provided by our Constitution, Indian treaties, court decisions, executive orders, and federal statutes. As such, tribes must independently decide whether and how to participate in USEITI.</p> <p><b>Plan to address obstacle 4:</b></p> <p>The MSG intends to continue outreach with tribal governments and communities and will seek their input on whether and how to design a process for tribes to voluntarily participate and opt-in to reporting with tribal data. In the interim, USEITI reporting regarding revenues from tribal lands has been and will be limited to the unilateral and unreconciled disclosure of the aggregate revenues collected on behalf of the tribes, which the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) publishes annually under existing authorities.</p> <p>At the November MSG meeting, the MSG decided to submit a request (on or before January 1, 2017) for extending Adapted Implementation to the EITI International Board in light of the barriers to getting all states</p> </li> </ul>
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	<p>involved in USEITI. The document also notes that tribes are not subnational governments in the U.S. and USEITI does not believe they fall under the scope of EITI.</p> <p><i>Domestic and external sources of funding and technical assistance:</i> Per the USEITI Advisory Committee Charter, ONRR provides the financial support for the Committee. The committee charter specifies available funding of \$775,000 annually. This estimated amount includes funding for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MSG Committee meetings.</li> <li>• Travel of MSG members to MSG meetings.</li> <li>• Use of a process facilitator to support the collaborative nature of the international EITI requirements.</li> <li>• Production of the USEITI report.</li> <li>• The cost associated with the Independent Administrator, as the international EITI requirements mandate.</li> </ul> <p>The committee charter is available at: <a href="https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/migrated/eiti/FACA/upload/2014-SIGNED-USEITI-Charter-8_13_14.pdf">https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/migrated/eiti/FACA/upload/2014-SIGNED-USEITI-Charter-8_13_14.pdf</a>.</p> <p><i>Be made widely available to the public:</i> Regularly-updated versions of the USEITI work plan are available at the U.S. government's website for the USEITI process: <a href="http://www.doi.gov/EITI">http://www.doi.gov/EITI</a>.</p> <p><i>Be reviewed and updated annually:</i> The work plan is updated by the Work Plan Work Group, a subunit of the Implementation Subcommittee of the USEITI MSG, on a continual basis and at least as often as the holding of quarterly MSG meetings. At the November 2016 MSG meeting, the MSG provisionally approved the 2017 Work Plan with approval of final changes to the Work Plan made by the USEITI MSG Co-Chairs.</p> <p><i>Include a timetable for implementation that is aligned with the reporting and Validation deadlines:</i> The timetable for implementation included in the work plan is consistent with the reporting and validation deadlines that the EITI board established. USEITI submitted its first report to the Board in December 2015 and its second report to the Board in December 2016.</p>
2.1 - Legal framework and fiscal regime	<p>The 2016 USEITI Report provided a national overview of the legal framework (statute, regulation, policy) for the U.S. fiscal regime by commodity, including such items as fair market value determination for lease sales, royalty and tax rates, tax expenditures, and revenue policy provisions (royalty relief and other deferred revenues, such as the percentage depletion allowance). The 2016 Report highlighted changes to relevant laws, rules, and reports that have been made since the publication of the USEITI 2015 Report. In particular, the 2016 USEITI report described the latest status of the rulemaking process under Section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank Act and other laws, as appropriate.</p>

	<p>The 2016 USEITI Report also provided a national overview of the types of legal frameworks and fiscal regimes in the states that the MSG has identified as important for each commodity (including any exemptions for certain commodities). Relevant fiscal regulatory processes and pathfinders (links) to the states that have been identified as important for each commodity (including exemptions for certain commodities) were provided and focused on the states that the MSG prioritized.</p> <p>The 2016 USEITI Report also provided a general description of the federal fiscal and legal regime in the tribal context, including the flow and control of revenues, the approval process for extractive industry agreements on tribal land, and the processes that the federal government uses to track production and track and manage revenues, federal databases used to track production and revenues, and the kinds of information held in these databases. The report described the U.S. trust responsibility and confidentiality/proprietary constraints on tribal data.</p> <p>The 2016 USEITI Report included information about the legal frameworks and fiscal regimes in the three states that opted into USEITI in 2016: Alaska, Montana, and Wyoming. Future USEITI reports will also provide details for additional state or tribes that opt into participation in USEITI.</p>
2.2 – License allocations Register of licenses and allocation of licenses	<p>For oil and gas development on federal lands, the 2016 USEITI Report provided details about oil and gas leasing laws and regulations. The report links to the Bureau of Land Management’s onshore oil and gas leasing information at <a href="http://www.blm.gov/mt/st/en/prog/energy/oil_and_gas/leasing.html">http://www.blm.gov/mt/st/en/prog/energy/oil_and_gas/leasing.html</a> and the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management offshore oil and gas leasing information at <a href="http://www.boem.gov/Leasing/">http://www.boem.gov/Leasing/</a>.</p>
2.3 – Register of licenses	<p>The 2016 USEITI Report includes links to information on leasing and licenses from federal agencies. For example, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management link provides offshore oil and gas lease sale information identifying the area, tract, company name, bid amounts and accepted bids (<a href="http://www.boem.gov/GOMR-Historical-Lease-Sale-Information/">http://www.boem.gov/GOMR-Historical-Lease-Sale-Information/</a>).</p> <p>The USEITI Report documented and explained the legal and practical barriers that exist in the United States to comprehensively disclosing license information and included a gap analysis of publicly available information and efforts to improve these systems where registers do not exist or are incomplete.</p> <p>The USEITI Report also provided an overview of DOI efforts to improve disclosure and transparency around the extractives industry. For example, the report includes links to regulatory reform efforts as a result of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill (<a href="http://www.boem.gov/Regulatory-Reform/">http://www.boem.gov/Regulatory-Reform/</a> and <a href="http://www.boem.gov/Reforms-since-the-Deepwater-Horizon-Tragedy/">http://www.boem.gov/Reforms-since-the-Deepwater-Horizon-Tragedy/</a>) and the National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore</p>



	Drilling.
2.4 – Contracts	<p>The 2016 USEITI Report disclosed publically available contracts and licenses that provide the terms attached to the exploitation of oil, gas, coal, other leasable minerals, non-fuel minerals (such as hard rock, sand, and gravel), geothermal, solar, and wind.</p> <p>In addition, the report documented the government’s policy on disclosure of contracts and licenses that govern the exploration and exploitation of oil, gas, and minerals. The report also discussed possible reforms in this policy.</p>
2.5 – Beneficial ownership	<p>The USEITI Report described applicable federal and state laws that aim to prevent preferential treatment for private companies by federal or subnational government entities regarding leasing, terms, etc. These include conflict-of-interest laws, financial disclosure laws, competitive tendering, etc. The report also described U.S. laws and regulations regarding disclosing ownership of privately held companies.</p> <p>In addition, in May 2016, the U.S. Government announced new rules to increase transparency and disclosure requirements that will enhance law enforcement’s ability to detect, deter, and disrupt money laundering, terrorist finance, and tax evasion. Final U.S. Treasury Department regulations on “Customer Due Diligence” will enhance transparency and protect the integrity of the financial system by requiring financial institutions to know and keep records on who actually owns the companies that use their services. In addition, the Obama Administration has released draft legislation that would increase transparency into the “beneficial ownership” of companies formed in the United States by requiring that companies know and report their true owners.</p> <p>At the November 2016 MSG meeting, the USEITI MSG approved and agreed to submit the USEITI Beneficial Ownership Roadmap to the EITI International Secretariat. A link to the roadmap is available at:  <a href="https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/draft_bo_roadmap_10-30-16_clean.pdf">https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/draft_bo_roadmap_10-30-16_clean.pdf</a>.</p>
2.6 – State participation	State participation in the extractive industries does not give rise to material revenue payments in the United States as there are no domestic state-owned enterprises (SOEs) operating in the US extractives sector.
3.1 - Exploration	<p>The 2016 USEITI Report provided an overview of exploration activities and emerging trends, each in-scope commodity, and each commodity at national and subnational scales.</p> <p>Sector summaries provided an explanation of terminology and an overview of reputable data sources in a way that is designed for ordinary citizens who lack knowledge about the extractives industries and about governance systems for the extractives industries.</p>

3.2 – Production	The 2016 USEITI Report disclosed production data for calendar year and fiscal year 2015, the year covered by the USEITI Report, including production volumes and revenues broken down by states/regions and product types.
3.3 – Exports	The 2016 USEITI Report disclosed export data for calendar year 2015, the year covered by the USEITI Report, including total export volumes and export revenues federally and by state.
4.1 – Comprehensive disclosure of taxes and revenues	<p>Government and company disclosure and third-party reconciliation in the 2016 Report compared data from companies on their payments to government with data from government on revenues collected from companies. The report included a reconciliation of U.S. Department of the Interior revenues, such as rents, royalties, bonuses, and fees that Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR), and Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians (OST) collect for in-scope commodities within a reporting materiality threshold.</p> <p>For the 2016 USEITI report, the MSG requested that companies report the sum of all corporate income tax payments/refunds made by or on behalf of all of the companies included in the annual consolidated federal income tax income return. In addition, the MSG encouraged companies to participate in reconciliation of their corporate income tax payments.</p> <p>Payments to DOI for oil, gas, coal, other leasable minerals, and non-fuel minerals, where they met the materiality definition that the MSG agreed upon, were independently reconciled for the 2016 USEITI Report. DOI also unilaterally disclosed payments (or payment information) from all in-scope commodities.</p> <p>The materiality threshold that the MSG established balanced the scale of reconciliation and feasibility of compliance with the value of the collected data. The reconciliation process was intended to start at a level that would reconcile approximately 80% of ONRR-collected natural resources revenues.</p> <p>Based on the materiality threshold that the MSG defined for reconciliation in the 2016 USEITI report, ONRR identified 41 companies for inclusion in the reconciliation. For the 2016 USEITI report, the MSG decided on a materiality threshold of ~\$37.5 million total annual revenues reported to ONRR by a parent company, including its subsidiaries. The MSG agreed on this threshold because it would allow 80% of ONRR's revenues to be in-scope for the reconciliation. In the 2016 USEITI Report, 25 out of 41 in-scope companies participated in reporting and reconciliation of \$4.83 billion in non-tax revenues paid to the U.S. federal government. There were zero unresolved variances.</p> <p>Also in the 2016 USEITI Report, 12 out of a maximum of 38 applicable companies reported -\$308 million in corporate income taxes. These include all federal corporate income tax payments made to the IRS by a C-corporation and</p>

	<p>any tax refunds paid out by the IRS to the company. Amounts reported reflect a net amount of actual tax payments and tax refunds made or received during CY 2015, regardless of the period of activity to which the taxes relate. Additionally, the amount reported reflects total tax payments based on all of a company's income activities, not just those activities on federal lands. For in-scope companies that are not C-corporations, this revenue stream is not applicable.</p> <p>The MSG determined that all DOI bureaus that receive extractive-related revenues from companies meeting the materiality threshold are in-scope, and their revenues were included for reporting and reconciliation. Based on these criteria, the MSG identified the following government entities as in-scope for the USEITI reconciliation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DOI bureaus, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR)</li> <li>○ Bureau of Land Management (BLM)</li> <li>○ Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE)</li> <li>○ Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE)</li> <li>○ Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Treasury Department agencies, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Internal Revenue Service (IRS)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>These entities provided the data on the revenues collected from company payments for disclosure and reconciliation in the USEITI report. Even though the IRS is listed here, this agency cannot provide any data to USEITI for disclosure or reconciliation, due to federal privacy laws. However, seven companies did authorize the IRS to release data to the IA for reconciliation. The reconciliation yielded zero discrepancies.</p> <p>The MSG also determined that all payments that DOI received for in-scope commodities would be reported separately in a unilateral disclosure. ONRR published an initial online unilateral disclosure report in December 2014 as part of the release of a new online USEITI data portal and this unilateral disclosure was updated to include all DOI bureaus with the release of both the 2015 USEITI Report and 2016 USEITI Report.</p>
4.2 – Sale of the state's share of production or other revenues collected in-kind	There is no sale of the state's share (SOEs) of production or other revenues collected in-kind in the United States federal government.
4.3 – Infrastructure provisions and barter arrangements	Infrastructure provisions and barter arrangements do not give rise to material revenue payments in the United States.
4.4 – Transportation revenues	Revenues from the transportation of oil, gas, and minerals are not material in the extractive sector in the United States. As such, the USEITI Report did not disclose the revenues received from transportation activity.
4.5 – Transactions	Transactions related to state-owned enterprises do not give rise to material



related to state-owned enterprises (SOEs)	revenue payments in the United States.
4.6 – Sub-national payments	<p>As described in the USEITI request for adapted implementation, state participation in USEITI reporting is encouraged through a voluntary “opt-in” process, and publicly available state-level extractive industry data are disclosed in USEITI reports.</p> <p>In May 2015, the USEITI MSG provided the EITI Secretariat with a document titled “USEITI Update to the International Secretariat: Subnational Payments” that provided a three-tier plan for the inclusion of subnational payments in USEITI (EITI Standard Requirement 4.2(d)). The USEITI MSG formed the State and Tribal Opt-in Subcommittee to investigate the question of how USEITI can most effectively treat complicated subnational revenue streams and, more specifically, to design an “opt-in” approach for the engagement of subnational entities (as described in the U.S. Candidacy Application).</p> <p>The MSG identified increasing state and tribal participation in USEITI as a goal for 2016 and tasked the State &amp; Tribal Subcommittee with spearheading those efforts. The subcommittee conducted conversations and worked with state and tribal officials, some of whom are members of the MSG and the subcommittee, to encourage them to “opt in” to USEITI. Three additional states chose to opt in: Alaska, Montana, and Wyoming. All three states are among the 18 that the MSG prioritized in 2015 as centers of extractive industries activity in the U.S. The three states provided data on revenues, distribution of those revenues, and legal and fiscal governance of extractive industries, as well as the economic impact of extraction in their states.</p>
4.7 – Level of disaggregation	<p>The USEITI MSG decided that reconciled payment reporting in the 2016 USEITI Report should follow the first part of Section 4.7 of the EITI Standard that states: “It is required that EITI data is presented by individual company, government entity and revenue stream.” The MSG was unable to reach a consensus on a project-level reporting definition consistent with Section 4.7 in the necessary timeframe.</p> <p>The 2016 Report discloses federal non-tax revenues from natural resource extraction on federal land in 2015 by commodity, revenue type, and company.</p>
4.8 – Data timeliness	<p>USEITI submitted its first report in December 2015 and submitted its second report in December 2016.</p> <p>The first USEITI Report, published in December 2015, covered calendar year 2013 data. The second USEITI Report, published in December 2016, covered calendar years 2014-2015 data; only 2015 revenue data was reconciled.</p> <p>The MSG delegated the issue of determining the accounting period that the USEITI Report will cover to the Taxes and Accounting Period Workgroup of the Implementation Subcommittee. The workgroup recommended that the MSG</p>



	adopt the calendar year as the accounting period for EITI reporting. The MSG formally adopted the calendar year as the accounting period for reporting at the September 2014 MSG meeting.
4.9 – Data quality and assurance	<p><i>Audit standards</i></p> <p>The 2016 USEITI Report highlights the credible, independent audit process that exists in the United States. Companies and government agencies are each legally responsible for reporting accurate, verifiable payment data. Controls and standards help companies report correct data on the first attempt, and reports are verified after submission. Independent audits of financial statements, transactions, and systems also help ensure compliance with internal and external standards.</p> <p><i>Independent Administrator</i></p> <p>In August 2014, Deloitte was selected to perform the work of the Independent Administrator (IA) for the USEITI program in a manner consistent with the Terms of Reference (TOR) adopted by the MSG.</p> <p>The MSG endorsed the appointment of Deloitte &amp; Touche, LLC, as the IA during the MSG meeting on September 9, 2014. At the December 2014 MSG Meeting, both the IA and the MSG agreed upon the Independent Administrator's TOR.</p>
5.1 – Distribution of extractive industry revenues	The 2016 USEITI Report described the distribution of revenues from the extractives industry. The report included links to budget projections and structure, including contributions from the extractives industry and statistics on oil and gas revenues and the effect on the overall economy. The report referenced national revenue classification systems and international standards, including those of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), and the IRS.
5.2 – Subnational transfers	Transfers between national and sub-national government entities related to the extractive industries do not give rise to material revenue payments in the United States. However, after collecting revenue from natural resource extraction, the Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR) distributes that money to different agencies, funds, and local governments for public use. The 2016 USEITI Report discloses fiscal year 2015 disbursements to states and counties.
5.3 – Revenue management and expenditures	<p>The 2016 USEITI Report provided information about how the U.S. Government Accountability Office and the Office of the Inspector General are responsible for ensuring accountability for responsible and efficient use of revenues from the extractives industry. In addition, a link to the budget of the U.S. government was included. Information was also provided pertaining to how oil and gas revenues are used for government programs/public services in the United States.</p> <p>The report includes an info-graphic of federal revenue disbursements by fund.</p>

	<p>For natural resource revenues from federal offshore locations, 27% of revenues from within 8(g) boundaries goes to the state from which the revenues originate; \$150 million goes to the Historic Preservation Fund; up to \$900 million goes to the Land and Water Conservation Fund; some goes to the federal agency that manages the area; and the remainder goes to the U.S. Treasury. For natural resource revenues from onshore federal lands, for most parts of the country, 49% goes to the state from which the revenues originate; 40% goes to the Reclamation Fund; some goes to the agency that manages the land; and 11% goes to the U.S. Treasury. For revenues from Alaska, 88.2% goes to the state. For revenues from Indian Country, 100% of revenues are returned to the tribes or individual Indian mineral owners. The public, through this visualization, is able to understand each of the special funds, the amounts of disbursements, and specifics about projects funded.</p> <p>The 2016 USEITI Report provided information that details the budgeting and auditing process for the United States government.</p> <p>The MSG's approach for the 2016 Report included looking at the federal government and MSG-prioritized states and counties for extractives revenue as a percentage of total government revenues and in terms of trends over 10 years. For MSG-selected counties, the report provided a factual description of revenue sustainability, including U.S. Geological Survey / Energy Information Administration "proven" reserves and fiscal impacts related to public services and infrastructure (for instance, transportation/roads, water, reclamation, emergency services, etc.). The report explained the definition and the limitations of "proven" reserve estimates.</p> <p>The report included information on resource management and natural reserve assessments in the United States.</p> <p>The report also included information about future forecasts, such as World Bank forecasts, EIA short-term energy outlooks, and forecasts for commodity prices.</p>
6.1 – Social expenditures by extractive companies	<p>Social expenditures by companies are not mandated by law or contract in the United States.</p> <p>The 2016 USEITI Report illustrates the types of social expenditures made by extractive industry companies, along with other local benefits engendered by this economic activity, particularly in the county case studies.</p>
6.2 – Quasi-fiscal expenditures	<p>State participation in the extractive industries does not give rise to material revenue payments in the United States.</p>
6.3 – The contribution of the extractive sector to the economy	<p><i>Size of the extractive sector</i></p> <p>The 2016 USEITI Report disclosed the size of the extractives industries in absolute terms and as a percentage of gross domestic product (GDP), by commodity, at each of the following scales: national, federal, tribal, and</p>

subnational (when publically available). The availability of data varies from state to state and county to county.

For illustrative purposes, the report showed the two highest-grossing government revenue counties or county clusters (including all federal, state, and county revenues) for each of oil, gas, coal, copper, iron ore, and gold (twelve counties or county clusters in total), as well as the revenue/production data in each of those counties over the last 10 years. These counties and county cluster profiles will be carried over to subsequent USEITI reports to illustrate trends.

The 2016 USEITI report provided an estimate of informal sector activity.

#### *Total government revenues generated*

The 2016 USEITI Report disclosed the extractives industry's public revenues by commodity, including royalties, bonuses, fees, and other payments. For the 2016 Report, it was not be feasible to disclose tax revenue by commodity, as this information is generally not publicly available. Where revenues are associated with more than one commodity or activity (such as corporate income taxes), revenues were reported at a more aggregate level. Extractives industry revenues were also reported as a percentage of total government revenues.

#### *Exports*

The 2016 USEITI Report disclosed exports from the extractives industry in absolute terms and as a percentage of national exports.

#### *Employment*

The 2016 USEITI Report disclosed the following information about employment in the extractives industry:

- Direct employment (job numbers) in the extractives industry in absolute terms at the national level, in states that the MSG prioritized, and in the twelve counties/county clusters identified by government revenues/commodities, and MSG-prioritized tribal lands, to the extent that this data is available.
- Direct employment (job numbers) in the extractives industry as a percentage of total employment at the national level, in states that the MSG prioritized, and in the twelve counties/county clusters identified by government revenues/commodities, and MSG-prioritized tribal lands, to the extent that this data is available.

Direct employment data, defined as per the description of key extractive industry job types/categories, are defined by U.S. government sources (U.S. Census and Bureau of Labor Statistics).

#### *Regions*

The 2016 USEITI Report provided a complete breakdown of energy production by state.



7.1 – Public debate	<p>As part of its communications and outreach efforts, the MSG implemented a communications plan for the release of the 2016 USEITI Report.</p> <p>Key audiences for communications efforts included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reporting companies</li> <li>• Payor companies</li> <li>• Congress</li> <li>• News media/trade press</li> <li>• The general public</li> <li>• Non-profit organizations</li> <li>• Academics</li> <li>• State governments</li> <li>• Local governments</li> <li>• Tribal governments and native groups</li> <li>• The extractive industry, in general</li> </ul> <p>As part of its communications around the publication of the 2016 USEITI Report, the MSG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Distributed the report in hard copy and through the USEITI Data Portal.</li> <li>• Made sure that the EITI Report is comprehensible.</li> <li>• Conducted outreach events.</li> <li>• Disseminated letters and press releases to key stakeholders, including a communications package.</li> </ul> <p>The MSG also leveraged the release of the first USEITI report to encourage state governments and tribes to opt into participating in USEITI.</p>
7.2 – Data accessibility	<p>The MSG made the first and second USEITI reports machine-readable and coded and tagged data files.</p> <p>In addition, the MSG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Produced brief summary reports.</li> <li>• Summarized and compared the share of each revenue stream to the total amount of revenue that accrues to each respective level of government.</li> <li>• Designed the online report to make relevant information publicly accessible and user-friendly.</li> </ul>
7.3 – Discrepancies and recommendations from EITI Reports	<p>The USEITI MSG has diligently considered the IA's feedback and recommendations and has taken steps to respond and improve its process and outcomes. A detailed account of these recommendations and resulting MSG actions is provided under question #4 "Overview of the multi-stakeholder group's responses to the recommendations from reconciliation and Validation," below.</p>

7.4 - Review the outcomes and impact of EITI implementation	The MSG is committed to publishing annual progress reports, including this document. All three sectors represented on the USEITI MSG had an opportunity to review and provide input for this annual report. In particular, the USEITI Co-Chairs and the members of the Implementation Subcommittee of the MSG reviewed drafts of the report.
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#### 4. Overview of the multi-stakeholder group's responses to the recommendations from reconciliation and Validation, if applicable:

*In accordance with requirement 7.4 (a)(iii), provide an overview of the multi-stakeholder group's responses to and progress made in addressing the recommendations from reconciliation and Validation in accordance with requirement 7.3. The multi-stakeholder group is required to list each recommendation and the corresponding activities that have been undertaken to address the recommendations and the level of progress in implementing each recommendation. The MSG might wish to draw on the overview of progress with EITI reporting related recommendations compiled by the Independent Administrator. Where the government or the multi-stakeholder group has decided not to implement a recommendation, it is required that the multi-stakeholder group documents the rationale in the annual progress report.*

*The multi-stakeholder group may also wish to identify how the work plan has been updated to incorporate the recommendations.*

In the 2015 report, the IA made six recommendations to enhance USEITI, which can be read in full in last year's Executive Summary at <https://useiti.doi.gov/about/report/>. Work on each of the six recommendations has progressed in 2016.

2015 IA Recommendation	2016 Progress
<b>Scoping:</b> At the beginning of the 2016 reporting period, the MSG should thoroughly scope reporting companies, revenue streams, and commodities to be included in the 2016 USEITI report.	The MSG agreed on 12 in-scope revenue streams, 41 in-scope companies, and seven in-scope commodities.
<b>Reporting Entity Communication:</b> The MSG should consider additional outreach and communication channels regarding the USEITI reporting and reconciliation process. Specifically, the 90-day reporting period for the 2016 USEITI should extend to 120 days, with communication prior to that period. Webinars focused on tax reporting and reconciliation should be conducted (in addition to those on revenue reporting) for tax professionals at reporting companies and include U.S. Treasury and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) participation.	The MSG and the IA communicated with companies four times prior to the beginning of the reporting period, including four webinars that separately covered revenue and tax reporting and reconciliation. The webinars included U.S. Treasury participation and were held in Houston, Texas, and Denver, Colorado, with companies also able to participate online. Additional individual email outreach occurred as well. Industry peer-to-peer outreach through the American Petroleum Institute and the Independent Petroleum Association of

<p><b>Sample Approach for Data Reconciliation:</b> The MSG should consider alternative options for reconciliation that could satisfy the requirements of the EITI Standard with a lower investment of time and cost in the reconciliation process. Specifically, the IA should support the MSG in developing options for consideration by the EITI International Secretariat, including a sample-based reconciliation approach and the development of a portal in which reporting companies can confirm whether revenues reported as part of the unilateral disclosure match company records.</p>	<p>America supplemented MSG and IA efforts.</p> <p>The IA prepared a proposal for sampling, which was reviewed by the Implementation Subcommittee. The Implementation Subcommittee explored the sampling proposal, discussed alternate approaches, and recommended to the MSG that companies should continue to report in full for 2016 given USEITI had only one year of experience with reporting and reconciliation thus far.</p>
<p><b>Enhanced, Phased Rollout for the Online Report:</b> The MSG should increase the percentage of the contextual narrative that lives solely online, as well as create a phased rollout for future online content updates, preferably on a quarterly basis. Moving additional content online would allow for a more engaging and accessible presentation of the contextual narrative information.</p> <p>The MSG could implement awareness campaigns framed around quarterly updates to the online report, which could generate increased public engagement.</p>	<p>While the 2016 contextual narratives are summarized in the executive summary, the full USEITI contextual narrative content resides online. This emphasis on online content has been paired with the efforts of the Outreach &amp; Communications Subcommittee, which has worked to build awareness of the portal and its content. Additionally, content has been rolled out throughout the year—a practice that will continue.</p>
<p><b>Increased State, Local, and Tribal Contextual Narrative Content:</b> The MSG should increase state, local, and tribal contextual narrative content to provide citizens with the information most relevant to them and their local communities. In particular, the MSG should include information about legal and fiscal frameworks to portray different approaches to managing natural resources and extraction.</p>	<p>The State &amp; Tribal Subcommittee led efforts focused on increasing state and tribal participation, as well as increasing the information on state, local, and tribal governance of extractive industries in the contextual narrative. The IA created new contextual narrative sections covering legal frameworks, production, and fiscal frameworks (including revenue and distribution), along with the economic impact of extractive industries in those states that opted into USEITI during 2016: Alaska, Montana, and Wyoming. These sections enable comparisons between different states. Additionally, the 2016 online report includes updated information for the 12 county case studies covered in the 2015 USEITI report.</p>
<p><b>Determine Steps to Increase Company Reporting:</b> The MSG, with support from the IA, should discuss, consider, decide, and act upon steps to increase participation by companies in the USEITI reporting and reconciliation process for DOI revenues and corporate income taxes.</p>	<p>The MSG took a number of steps aimed at understanding and addressing barriers to participation and improving communication. Gaps were identified in communication at the executive level and in the tax departments of in-scope companies. As such, the U.S. government (the “Government”) distributed letters to the CEOs of all</p>



	participating companies. The IA and MSG sought to identify tax contacts for each company and conducted webinars and presentations at industry events focused on tax professionals.
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## 5. Any specific strengths or weaknesses identified in the EITI process:

*Provide a narrative account of efforts to strengthen EITI implementation, including any actions to extend the detail and scope of EITI reporting or to increase engagement with stakeholders (requirement 7.4(a)(v)).*

*The multi-stakeholder group may wish to include information about*

- *how the scope of EITI reporting has been expanded to meet the objectives set out in the work plan;*
- *efforts to ensure that the EITI Report contributes to increased public awareness in particular regarding the fiscal contribution of the extractives industry and how those revenues are allocated and spent;*
- *efforts to build awareness and support, and to build capacity of the stakeholders; and*
- *any weaknesses identified in the EITI process and any actions to address these.*

The USEITI process featured the following strengths in 2016:

- The MSG Co-Chairs worked very well together and exercised leadership in providing clear direction for the work groups and for the MSG and in their general approach and tone towards USEITI.
- The work groups were a strength in terms of their collaboration, hard work, and problem-solving orientation; and they facilitated decision making by the MSG by providing consensus-based recommendations to the larger body.
- Different sectors of the USEITI MSG were willing to revisit their assumptions about the intended scope of the USEITI report in response to requests for broader scope.
- Many members of the MSG took on responsibility for USEITI's work and put in a great deal of effort and time.
- The MSG employed evidence-based decision-making and evidenced a pragmatic orientation.
- The Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR) provided data early for companies to review, which facilitated the reconciliation process.
- The USEITI Secretariat's hard work and organization was critical for the success of the process.
- Staff members of organizations with representatives on the MSG provided strong support.
- The Independent Administrator team from Deloitte worked diligently and contributed effectively.
- The neutral facilitation firm, the Consensus Building Institute, kept the USEITI process moving forward and helped the sectors reach agreement on contentious issues.

The USEITI 2016 Report featured the following key successes:

- The revenue reconciliation process demonstrated that the data included in the government's unilateral disclosure is accurate.
- The information included in the contextual narrative about the robustness of revenue collection and auditing mechanisms in the United States articulates why the U.S. Report achieved 100% reconciliation.

- The County Narratives could be very useful for stakeholders in resource-intensive communities and add an interesting dimension to the report.
- The USEITI Report unites production data for federal oil and gas, and other minerals, in one place.
- The USEITI Report presents data about the economic impact of the extractives industries in 18 key states.
- With the exception of corporate income taxes, the 2016 Report come very close to fully meeting the requirements of the EITI Standard.
- The USEITI Report uses infographics to help illustrate complex information.
- USEITI's rich, interactive, web-based report sets a gold standard for other countries.

With the publication of its 2016 Report, USEITI has built on its work since 2013 in synthesizing information about the extractives industries from disparate publicly available data and contextual information sources, modernizing the presentation of this data, and making it all easily available to the public in a user-friendly, interactive format. Furthermore, by creating an inviting entry point to learning about the extractive industries, the USEITI Report provides an easy and welcoming pathway for users to access additional data that is available through diverse government websites.

USEITI has expanded the scope of EITI reporting through the use of unilateral disclosure. Under this mechanism, the MSG has determined that the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) will report all payments that it receives for in-scope commodities as a complement to company reporting and reconciliation. As part of the release of the 2016 USEITI Report, DOI included calendar year 2014 and 2015 revenue data disaggregated by company.

USEITI also expanded the scope of EITI reporting in its 2016 Report by updating information about the two highest-grossing government revenue counties or county clusters (including all federal, state, and county revenues) for each of oil, gas, coal, copper, iron ore, and gold (twelve counties or county clusters in total), as well as the revenue/production data in each of those counties over the last 10 years. These counties and county cluster profiles will be carried over to subsequent USEITI reports to illustrate trends.

In addition, in an effort to improve public understanding and inform discussions around extractive industries in the United States, USEITI developed new contextual narrative sections for the 2016 USEITI report. In addition to the state opt-in section, the report covers the Abandoned Mine Land (AML) Reclamation Program, U.S. audit and assurance practices and controls, and the Coal Excise Tax.

Pursuant to the U.S. commitment to the principles underlying EITI and the Open Government Partnership, USEITI released the 2016 USEITI Report, available at: <https://useiti.doi.gov/>, in December 2016. The report provides a valuable resource for data and contextual information about extractives industry in the U.S. In addition to the reporting, reconciliation, and contextual aspects of the report, the U.S. government unilaterally disclosed calendar year 2014-2015 revenues paid to and collected by U.S. Department of the Interior bureaus by company, revenue type, and commodity. The online report's user-friendly, interactive design allows members of the public to easily navigate and access information and data. The report website is also a premier resource for credible data and information – all published under an open license – on extractive resources published by other federal agencies, such as the Energy Information Administration (EIA) and the U.S. Census Bureau. The report's data sets and visualizations can also be reused for strategic reporting, re-posting, and sending through social media, thus further informing the debate on the extractives industry.

The MSG's communications focus for December 2016, when it released the second USEITI report, was to achieve a concrete demonstration of a new level of transparency in the United States regarding the extractives industry's revenues that is credible, substantive, easily understood, engages the public, increases collaboration across sectors, enhances international credibility, and furthers understanding of the extractives industry in the United States. In support of the publication of its second report in December 2016, the USEITI MSG has conducted the following types of outreach activities:

- Distribute the report in hard copy and online.
- Ensure that the EITI Report is comprehensible.
- Conduct outreach events.
- Disseminate letters and press releases to key stakeholders, including a communications package.

USEITI has engaged in a number of activities to build awareness and support about USEITI. Target audiences include:

- Reporting companies
- Payor companies
- Congress
- News media/trade press
- The general public
- Non-profit organizations
- Academics
- State governments
- Local governments
- Tribal governments and native groups
- The extractives industry, in general

In 2016, the MSG used the following methods of communication to build awareness and support of USEITI:

- Letters to key constituencies, including reporting companies, tribes, and state governors
- Fact sheets containing both general Information and tailored information for specific audiences
- Press releases, for example, around the release of the USEITI 2016 Report
- Press conferences, for example, around the release of the USEITI 2016 Report
- Notices in the Federal Register
- Briefings, for example, to Members of Congress and their staff
- Personal outreach, for example, to tribes
- Meetings with key stakeholder groups
- Presentations at meetings or conferences; four conferences, targeting both states and tribes
- Websites, including the USEITI website, to post materials to keep stakeholders abreast of the MSG's work and other developments, and the USEITI 2016 Report website

## 6. Total costs of implementation:

*The multi-stakeholder group may wish to include information about costs of implementation. This could include a comparison of outturn costs with the work plan costs, broken down by contributor and budget lines. It could also include information about the number of staff in the national secretariat.*



The table below presents the anticipated budgets for various items related to the implementation of USEITI in 2016, as well as information about how actual expenses have compared to the budgeted amounts for each line item.

	<b><u>FUNDING 2016</u></b>	<b><u>OVER / UNDER / WITHIN</u></b>
COMMUNICATION, OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT:		
Regular MSG Meeting	\$90K-\$120K	UNDER
Facilitator Support	\$120K-\$150K	WITHIN
State and Tribal Outreach Meetings	\$90K-\$120K	UNDER
Conduct Public Outreach	\$40K-\$110K	UNDER
Conduct Subnational and Tribal Outreach	\$40K-\$110K	UNDER
PRODUCE INTIAL USEITI REPORT: INCREASE GOVT TRANSPARENCY, ENHANCE PUBLIC ACCESS TO INFORMATION		
Independent Administrator	\$900K-\$1.088 mil	WITHIN
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1.28mil- \$1.558mil</b>	<b>WITHIN</b>

In addition to the direct costs indicated above, the U.S. Government has dedicated three equivalent full-time employees to the USEITI Secretariat for supporting the MSG and the implementation of USEITI. In addition, representatives from multiple government agencies are supporting the USEITI initiative as MSG members, advisors, and subject matter experts.

**7. Any additional comments:**

None at this time.

**8. Has this activity report been discussed beyond the MSG?:**

*In accordance with requirement 7.4.b, all stakeholders should be able to participate in the production of the annual activity report and reviewing the impact of EITI implementation. Civil society groups and industry involved in EITI, particularly, but not only those serving on the multi-stakeholder group, should be able to provide feedback on the process and have their views reflected in the annual activity report.*

*This is an opportunity for MSGs to improve ownership of their process and to ensure that the EITI becomes more firmly rooted in broader country reform processes. Countries may wish to outline any broader exercises involving other stakeholders including civil society and companies, and how they were invited to feedback on the process and ensure that their views were reflected in the review.*

All three sectors represented on the USEITI MSG had an opportunity to review and provide input for this annual report. In particular, the USEITI Co-Chairs and the members of the Implementation Subcommittee of the MSG reviewed drafts of the report.

**9. Details of membership of the MSG during the period (including details of the number of meetings held and attendance record):**

Many professionals representing the MSG have made valuable contributions to the United States in supporting the implementation of USEITI. We would like to acknowledge their hard work and dedication. The following list provides a full account of membership in the USEITI MSG in 2016, including those who joined and departed the MSG during the year, as well as their attendance at 2016 MSG meetings.

Civil Society Sector	Appt. Type	Organization	Jan 2016	Mar 2016	Jun 2016	Nov 2016
Rebecca Adamson	Primary	First Peoples Worldwide	x			
Danielle Brian	Primary Co-Chair	Project on Government Oversight	x	x	x	x
Paul Bugala (org. change 11/2016)	Primary	George Washington University	x	x	x	x
Michael LeVine	Primary	Oceana	x	x		x
Lynda Farrell	Primary	Pipeline Safety Coalition				x
Keith Romig, Jr.	Primary	United Steelworkers	x	x	x	
Michael Ross (org. change 06/2016)	Primary	Revenue Watch Institute/Natural Resources Governance Institute	x		x	
Veronica Slajer	Primary	North Star Group	x	x	x	x
Betsy Taylor	Primary	VA Polytechnic Institute and State University		x		x
Neil Brown	Alternate	The Lugar Center	x	x		
Jennifer Krill	Alternate	Earthworks	x			

Jana Morgan	Alternate	Publish What You Pay	x			x
Isabel Munilla	Alternate	Oxfam America	x			x
Daniel Dudis	Alternate	Public Citizen		x	x	x
Zorka Milin	Alternate	Global Witness		x		x
David Chambers	Alternate	Center for Science in Public Participation			x	

Industry Sector	Appt. Type	Organization	Jan 2016	Mar 2016	Jun 2016	Nov 2016
Phil Denning	Primary	Shell Oil Company	x	x	x	x
Michael Gardner	Primary	Rio Tinto	x	x	x	
Veronika Kohler	Primary Co-Chair	National Mining Association	x	x	x	x
Johanna Nesseth Tuttle	Primary	Chevron	x	x	x	x
Cartan Sumner	Primary	Peabody Energy	x			
John Harrington	Primary	Exxon Mobil Corporation		x	x	x
Susan Ginsberg	Primary	Independent Petroleum Association of America		x		x
Michael Blank	Primary	Peabody Energy				x
Stella Alvarado (Appointed to Primary from Alternate 06/2016)	Alternate/ Primary	Anadarko Petroleum	x	x	x	x
Chris Chambers	Alternate	Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc.	x	x	x	
Nick Cotts	Alternate	Newmont Mining	x	x		
Aaron Padilla	Alternate	American Petroleum Institute	x	x	x	x
David Romig	Alternate	Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas	x	x		x
Nicholas Welch	Alternate	Noble Energy Inc.		x		
Edwin Mongan	Alternate	BHP Billiton Petroleum				x



Government Sector	Appt. Type	Organization	Jan 2016	Mar 2016	Jun 2016	Nov 2016
Curtis Carlson	Primary	Department of the Treasury	x	x	x	x
Greg Gould	Primary Co-Chair	Department of the Interior	x	x	x	x
Julie Lenoir	Primary	Black Feet Nation	x			
Mike Matthews	Primary	State of Wyoming – Department of Audit/Mineral Audit Division	x	x	x	x
C. Michael Smith	Primary	Interstate Oil & Gas Compact Commission		x		x
Claire Ware	Primary	Eastern Shoshone & Northern Arapaho Tribes		x		
Jim Steward	Alternate	Department of the Interior	x	x	x	x
Bruce Barnett	Alternate	Choctaw Nation	x			
Marina Voskanian	Alternate	California State Lands Commission	x			

In addition to the USEITI MSG members, many other individuals made valuable contributions to USEITI. Listed below are the individuals who made presentations or led discussions at MSG meetings in 2016 as well as individuals who made public comments.

**Presentations and Significant Contributions Made by Non-MSG members:**

January 2016 MSG Meeting	March 2016 MSG Meeting	June 2016 MSG Meeting	November 2016 MSG Meeting
Kris Sarri, DOI	Kris Sarri, DOI	Kris Sarri, DOI	Kris Sarri, DOI
Judy Wilson, DOI	Paul Mussenden, DOI	Judy Wilson, DOI	Paul Mussenden, DOI
Isabelle Brantley, Deloitte	Judy Wilson, DOI	Paul Mussenden, DOI	Judy Wilson, DOI
Alex Klepacz, Deloitte	Isabelle Brantley, Deloitte	Chris Mentasti, DOI	John Cassidy, Deloitte
	John Cassidy, Deloitte	Sarah Platts, Deloitte	Luke Hawbaker, Deloitte
	Alex Klepacz, Deloitte	Luke Hawbaker, Deloitte	Alex Klepacz, Deloitte
	Luke Hawbaker, Deloitte	Alex Klepacz, Deloitte	John Mennel, Deloitte
	Sarah Platts, Deloitte	John Mennel, Deloitte	Sarah Platts, Deloitte

	Kurt Schultz, Deloitte	John Cassidy, Deloitte	Kent Shultz, Deloitte
	Jonas Moberg, EITI International Secretariat	Kurt Schultz, Deloitte	Michelle Hertzfeld, GSA 18F
	Sam Bartlett, EITI International Secretariat	Jen Smith, Deloitte	Corey Mahoney, GSA 18F
		Andrew Varnum, Deloitte	Mary Warlick, US Department of State

**Public Comments Made:**

January 2016	March 2016	June 2016	November 2016
			Henry Salisman (Navajo Nation)

Approved by MSG Co-Chairs:



Greg Gould - Government Sector



Danielle Brian – Civil Society Sector



Veronika Kohler – Industry Sector

Date:

6/22/17

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Newest additions to the USEITI data portal

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**To:**  
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Newest additions to the USEITI data portal include the following:

- Adds jobs-by-commodity data to both national and state data pages
- Wage and salary data by commodity
- Wage and salary data for renewable-energy jobs
- Updates Historic Preservation Act data, including tsv and xls files

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Judy, thanks and good to see you last week.

Tushar, masterful job of capturing this information – thank you so much.

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**UNITED STATES EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRIES TRANSPARENCY INITIATIVE**  
**MULTI-STAKEHOLDER GROUP CO-CHAIRS MEETING**  
**MAY 11, 2017**

**MEETING SUMMARY**

**Background**

The USEITI MSG co-chairs, along with a colleague from each other their sectors, met with representatives from the EITI International Secretariat and the US Department of State to discuss possible future directions for USEITI. This meeting took place on May 11, 2017 in Washington DC.

This summary provides a high-level synthesis of the key options with regards to the future direction of USEITI explored during the meeting. No decisions about USEITI's future were made at this meeting. Rather, each sector will discuss internally and the co-chairs are planning to reconvene on June 22 for an anticipated decision on that date.

**Options Considered for USEITI's Future**

Meeting participants considered the following four options for the future of USEITI:

- 1) Request a temporary, voluntary suspension from EITI
- 2) The International EITI Board could create a new path for USEITI to continue under different requirements / protocols
- 3) Mainstreaming of USEITI reporting into US government reporting
- 4) Withdrawal of the United States from EITI

**Option 1:** Request a temporary, voluntary suspension from EITI

In this option, the US government would formally write to the International EITI board for a two-year "pause" on implementation of EITI in the United States. The following activities would take place during this two-year pause:

- Congress and the SEC will have time to move forward around the Dodd–Frank Act, and specifically rule making under Section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank Act, which will clarify publicly traded USEITI-participating companies' requirements for corporate income tax disclosure.
- ONRR will continue to update the online data portal (the USEITI website) on a regular basis with unilateral disclosure of non-tax revenues from the US government. ONRR will also proceed with a pilot rollout of one state's revenue information. The USEITI name would be removed from the website for the duration of the pause.
- There would *not* be any USEITI MSG meetings held.
- Ambassador Warlick will continue participating on the EITI International Board.

- There is an opportunity to see if the EITI Standard evolves in a way to allow greater flexibility for countries like the United States that have very robust transparency and reporting procedures already in place.
- The CSO and industry sectors can explore whether to pursue outreach and advocacy efforts to the government to create a true multistakeholder forum for the USEITI MSG that is not constrained by FACA.

*Considerations around this option:*

- The provision in the EITI Standard outlining the conditions in which an implementing country can request a “pause” generally is envisioned for situations of civil conflict in the form of a coup or civil war.
- Inherent in the concept of a “pause” is that there exists a clear pathway and timeframe for USEITI to restart its work in compliance with the EITI Standard and have a strong case for validation.
  - Outstanding questions about the prospects for corporate income tax reporting in quantities that would meet the requirements of the EITI Standard in the United States raise questions about USEITI’s future pathway to validation under the EITI Standard.
  - Standing up the USEITI MSG as a FACA subcommittee within the Department of the Interior may need to be revisited. FACA committees are advisory to the US Government, whereas EITI MSGs are intended to be independent decision-making bodies.

Option 2: The International EITI Board could create a new path for USEITI to continue under different requirements / protocols

In this option, USEITI would send a letter to the EITI International Board explaining its context and situation. The letter would detail what steps USEITI is able to take and in what ways it anticipates being able to meet or exceed elements of the EITI Standard. The letter would also detail challenges that USEITI is facing and which elements of the Standard it does not anticipate being able to comply with. The EITI International Board, as the creator of the Standard and as the ultimate decision-making body for EITI, would then decide how to handle USEITI’s situation and could create a new pathway for countries in a similar situation to continue participating or sign up to EITI.

*Considerations around this option:*

- It is unknown how the EITI International Board will approach the US’ case. Given the ongoing uncertainty about corporate income tax reporting as part of USEITI, risk exists that USEITI and the US government are not looked upon favorably by members of the International Board and that the reputations of the United States and of USEITI are degraded.

Option 3: Mainstreaming of USEITI reporting into US government reporting

In this option, the US Government would include reporting of the elements included in the EITI Standard through its own channels in lieu of publication of an independent USEITI report.

*Considerations around this option:*

- The mainstreaming concept, as articulated in the EITI Standard, is intended to preserve the same comprehensiveness and granularity of reporting as is done under standard EITI reporting (in which EITI implementing countries publish annual EITI reports). Given the ongoing uncertainty about corporate income tax reporting as part of USEITI, as well as the recent decision by the USEITI MSG to rely on the government's existing audit and assurance processes, USEITI would be deviating in two significant respects from the EITI Standard.

Option 4: Withdrawal of the United States from EITI

In this option, the US Government would submit a letter to the EITI International Board articulating its decision to withdraw from EITI. The letter could come from any member of the US Government who is able to speak on the government's behalf with regards to this decision. The EITI Secretariat indicated that EITI would not need the letter to articulate why the US Government is making this decision.

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*Considerations around this option:*

- The reputational risk to USEITI and to the US Government would be time-limited. The government has already been accused of giving up on transparency and, while this accusation will be made again with the official announcement of withdrawal, the decision will conclude the matter.
- The nature of the letter and how much support it can receive from members of the other sectors will affect the nature of press coverage and reputational impact of the withdrawal decision.
- Implications for ongoing US' support of EITI, including representation on the EITI International Board, are unknown and will need to be explored.
- Withdrawal of the United States from EITI could negatively influence perceptions of EITI in some countries and among some companies.

**Additional Key Considerations and Next Steps**

Meeting participants also discussed the pending release of a report by the Department of the Interior's Office of Inspector General. The report is expected to be released the

week of May 15 and is anticipated to say that USEITI successfully met 8 of the 9 elements of the EITI Standard and has expended \$6.2 million in 2016.

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Thank you for the update Judy! Hope all is well.

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Thank you Judith for the update.

Marina

On May 18, 2017, at 12:46 PM, Wilson, Judith <[judith.wilson@onrr.gov](mailto:judith.wilson@onrr.gov)> wrote:

All,

The USEITI MSG co-chairs, along with a colleague from each of their sectors, met with representatives from the EITI International Secretariat and the US Department of State to discuss possible future directions for USEITI. This meeting took place on May 11, 2017 in Washington DC. Tushar Kansal took notes and prepared the meeting summary. The summary was provided to the Co-Chairs today. There were no decisions made at the May 11 meeting. The Co-chairs agreed to report back to their sectors the discussion and options for consideration. The Co-Chairs will reconvene on June 22nd in Washington. At that meeting the Co-chairs will report out and discuss the three sectors' preferred path forward. The objective of that meeting is for the Co-Chairs to agree on the path forward and we will proceed accordingly.

#### Meeting Participants

##### Discussion participants

Sam Bartlett (via phone) - EITI Secretariat  
Danielle Brian -  
Co-Chair from CSO sector, in person  
Greg Gould - Co-Chair from government sector, in person  
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Judy Wilson - USEITI Secretariat, government sector representative  
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Additionally the IG report on the field investigation of USEITI implementation was released to the public today and you have been provided a copy via e-mail from Kim Oliver. We will post that report on the MSG website.

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**SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
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**I. Introduction**

The U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI), with Judy Wilson presiding as acting Designated Federal Official (DFO), convened the nineteenth meeting of the U.S. Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (USEITI) Multi-Stakeholder Group Advisory Committee (MSG) on February 1, 2017, in Washington, DC.

The purpose of the meeting was to receive updates from the Independent Administrator on various aspects of developing the online report and executive summary for the 2017 USEITI Report and how to move forward with these; receive updates on the work of the Implementation, Communications, and State and Tribal Opt-in Subcommittees; and discuss the prospects for proceeding with mainstreaming of USEITI reporting into US government processes and the inclusion of project-level reporting in USEITI Reports. The MSG opted not to cover all of these items after the Co-Chairs agreed to accelerate the MSG's work and adjourn the meeting after one day rather than hold a two-day meeting, as originally planned. Please see the "Adjustment of Meeting Schedule and Agenda" section on page 6 for additional information.

Please note that, throughout this meeting summary, comments made by presenters, Independent Administrator team members, other non-MSG members, and those directly pertaining to an MSG decision are attributed to specific speakers. Other comments are provided without attribution in order to foster open discussion among MSG members excepting final deliberations prior to specific MSG decisions.

Interested parties are asked to contact USEITI at [useiti@ios.doi.gov](mailto:useiti@ios.doi.gov) or 202-208-0272 with any questions, comments, or concerns regarding the content of this meeting summary.

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## II. Summary of Endorsements, Decisions, Approvals, and Action Items

### A. Endorsements

- No endorsements were made by the MSG at the February 2017 MSG meeting.

### B. Decisions

- The MSG decided to move forward with the Implementing Subcommittee's recommendation to forego independent reconciliation of revenues by the Independent Administrator for the 2017 USEITI Report. *(see page 9)*
- The MSG decided to use and move forward with the proposed reporting template for 2017. *(see page 10)*
- The MSG decided to have the USEITI Secretariat work to add material for the 2017 USEITI Report about US audit and assurance procedures and for the USEITI Secretariat to make a "good faith effort" to include information about "the life of a lease" in the 2017 USEITI Report. *(see page 13)*

### C. Approvals

- The MSG approved the November 2016 MSG meeting summary. *(see page 5)*
- The MSG approved the motion to have the Implementation Committee decide on which dataset source (Bureau of Labor Statistics or Census Bureau) to use to provide information for employment by commodity. *(see page 12)*
- The MSG approved the motion to have the Implementation Committee decide on which two additional visualizations (between additional metals, forestry, and renewable energy) to include in the 2017 USEITI Report, along with a visualization about employment by commodity *(see page 13)*.

### D. Confirmations

- No confirmations were made by the MSG at the February 2017 MSG meeting.

### E. Action Items

- **Co-Chairs:**
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  - Develop agenda for the June 2017 MSG meeting.
- **Implementation Subcommittee**

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  - Make a “good faith effort” to include information about “the life of a lease” in the 2017 USEITI Report. *(see page 13)*
  - MSG decisions will be recorded in an updated MSG Decision Matrix by the Secretariat. *(see page 15)*
- **Independent Administrator (Deloitte)**
  - Integrate the beneficial ownership reporting template into the main reporting form. *(see page 10)*
  - Flesh out the contours of the following topics: additional metals, forestry, and renewable energy, and present these to the Implementation Subcommittee for decision-making regarding which visualizations to include in the 2017 USEITI Report. *(see page 13)*
- **Acting Designated Federal Office**
  - Review the MSG terms of reference and consider how to ensure adherence to those in future MSG meetings. *(see page 15)*
- **USEITI Process Facilitator (Consensus Building Institute)**
  - Create a meeting summary for the February 2017 MSG meeting.

### III. Presentations and Key Discussions

Judy Wilson, U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI), presiding as acting Designated Federal Official for the USEITI MSG, opened the meeting and welcomed participants. All individuals in attendance introduced themselves. A full attendance list can be found in Section VI – Meeting Participants, page 16.

#### A. Opening Remarks

Ms. Wilson provided opening remarks by noting that the transition to the new presidential administration had begun. Congressional consideration of the nomination for the new Secretary of the Interior, Ryan Zinke, is underway. She also noted that, although there has been discussion and media coverage about possible Congressional action on regulations under Section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank Act, at the time of the MSG meeting, the regulations are still in effect.

Danielle Brian, Project on Government Oversight and civil society organization (CSO) sector co-chair, also read out an opening statement on behalf of the CSO sector. In that



statement, Ms. Brian called on the industry and government sector representatives on the MSG to speak out publicly in favor of the Section 1504 rule in order to help persuade Congress to retain the rule. The CSO statement also formally requested that the DFO remove the American Petroleum Institute from holding a seat on the USEITI MSG. The full text of Ms. Brian's comments is provided in Appendix A, available on page 19 of this meeting summary.

## **B. USEITI MSG Business**

The MSG conducted the following items of business during the course of the MSG meeting.

### **1. Terminology and USEITI December 2015 Meeting Summary**

Judy Wilson, USEITI Secretariat, reminded meeting participants that the MSG has agreed to employ three terms to differentiate between different types of actions that the MSG takes:

- "Decisions" will indicate significant actions and agreements by the MSG key to meeting EITI international standards.
- "Approvals" will indicate lower-level decisions by the MSG, such as approving work plans, meeting summaries, process changes or additions, etc.
- "Confirmations" will confirm decisions that the MSG has previously made.

The MSG approved the meeting summary of the November 2016 MSG meeting, with some corrections provided by MSG members. A copy of the final, approved meeting summary is available online at: [https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti\\_msg\\_-\\_nov\\_2016\\_mtg\\_summary\\_0.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti_msg_-_nov_2016_mtg_summary_0.pdf)

- **Approval: The MSG approved the meeting summary from the November 2016 USEITI MSG meeting.**

### **2. Preview of March 2017 International EITI Board Meeting**

Greg Gould, government sector co-chair, explained that the March 8-9 meeting of the EITI Board would cover a number of topics important for USEITI, including mainstreaming, the beneficial ownership roadmap that USEITI submitted in December 2016, and an open data policy for EITI. Mr. Gould invited Micah Watson of Department of State to provide additional comments about the upcoming EITI board meeting.

A MSG member from the civil society sector inquired of Mr. Gould about how mainstreaming would work without regulations in place under Section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank Act, by which companies would be required to disclose their corporate income tax payments.

Micah Watson, US Department of State, introduced himself and noted that he works under Ambassador Mary Warlick, a member of the EITI International Board. He explained that the EITI Board has spent much of the past year focusing on internal

governance and finances and that it would shift its focus to validation of EITI countries in 2017. Almost half of the implementing countries will be undergoing validation during the next 18 months. He added that a number of new countries would also be submitting their applications to join EITI during coming months.

A MSG member from the civil society sector inquired of Mr. Watson about the implications of the resource curse for US foreign policy as well as the reaction in other countries when the United States opts not to follow international norms. In response, Mr. Watson offered that the State Department does believe in the efficacy of EITI and other transparency initiatives in combating the resource curse in many countries. He also noted that there was broad support internationally for the regulations promulgated under Section 1504 and that there appears to be much concern globally about the direction that the US may be taking in the possible rescission of those regulations.

### 3. Adjustment of Meeting Schedule and Agenda

During the lunch break on February 1, the Co-Chairs and acting DFO conferred and agreed that the deliberations in Congress around the Section 1504 regulations and the prospect that these would be disapproved had introduced significant uncertainty and upheaval into the MSG meeting. Following lunch, Ms. Wilson, the acting DFO, announced that the remainder of the meeting on February 1 would focus on critical-path decisions that are required by the MSG for production of the 2017 USEITI Report. Additional agenda items, such as updates from the Communications and State and Tribal Opt-in Subcommittees, would be postponed and the second day of the MSG meeting would not be needed given the truncated agenda per unanimous decision of the Co-Chairs.

In response to a request from MSG members representing the CSO sector that MSG members from their sector who had called into the meeting be allowed to participate in MSG discussions, Ms. Wilson, acting DFO, clarified that the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) requires that MSG members be physically present at the MSG meeting in order to be considered MSG members. Members of the MSG who call into the meeting over the phone are considered members of the public.

Ms. Wilson also announced that public comments would be accepted in writing in lieu of holding an open, verbal public comment period, as is permissible under the Federal Advisory Committee Act. She requested that commenters send their comments to the following email address: [useiti@ios.doi.gov](mailto:useiti@ios.doi.gov). The reason behind this decision was the agenda for the two day meeting was compressed to one day and because MSG discussion and decision making in the second half of the day would occur after the previously scheduled mid-day public comment period.

### **C. MSG Discussions Regarding Congressional Recission of Regulations under Section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank Act**

MSG members discussed a variety of issues related to the Section 1504 regulations, their role in USEITI, and the implications for USEITI if Congress disapproves the regulations.

#### **1. Relevance of Section 1504 Regulations for USEITI**

CSO representatives stated that the rules promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) under Section 1504 are fundamental to the future of the USEITI. Without this rule, there will be no possibility of corporate tax reporting and therefore no possibility for validation under the international EITI Standard. The MSG needs to address this issue head on.

An industry sector representative stated that the industry sector has worked very hard to help implement USEITI, resulting in the creation of a very useful website [the USEITI report]. The MSG's role is to provide information to the American public, not to litigate policy questions over which its members have no control. If the CSO sector feels that there is no value to USEITI beyond corporate tax reporting, then the MSG should discuss that.

Members of the CSO sector agreed that the USEITI website is an advancement and success, and that USEITI has important work together, but that USEITI will be far short of meeting the purpose of EITI, which is revenue transparency, without inclusion of information about corporate income tax payments and project-level reporting.

#### **2. The Role of USEITI MSG Members in Decision-Making Around Section 1504 Regulations**

CSO representatives suggested that there are serious questions and concerns about whether members of the industry sector are participating in USEITI in good faith around this particular issue of tax reporting. CSO members asked that members of the industry sector on the MSG need to speak up about whether they support Congressional efforts to repeal rulemaking under Section 1504. CSO members noted that they are frustrated that there are members of the industry sector who have been taking credit for corporate social responsibility and transparency efforts by virtue of their participation in USEITI while, in the CSO's view, behind the scenes they have been lobbying and litigating to undermine the Section 1504 rules.

Both industry and government sector representative voiced that USEITI MSG members could not influence Congressional decision-making around the Section 1504 regulations and that the USEITI MSG should focus on implementing USEITI. CSO representatives pushed back against this assertion. The CSO representatives noted that many of the largest oil and gas companies in the US and the world have representatives on the MSG and that these companies hold significant influence in Congress.

A member of the industry sector noted that his company has supported the implementation of the Dodd-Frank Act, including Section 1504, but that the current regulations under that section are overly burdensome. This member's company supports fixing those regulations to make them easier for companies to comply with. Additional representatives of the industry sector also articulated support for transparency as long as it does not place undue burden on companies.

Civil society members urged their colleagues in the industry and government sectors to join them in speaking in a united voice, as the USEITI MSG, in support of retaining the current Section 1504 rules. The united voice of the MSG could persuade Congress to retain the rules. The Government sector reminded members that the executive branch and its functions, like FACAs, are prohibited from lobbying Congress.

Industry sector representatives articulated their understanding that the Congressional Review Act (CRA, through which Congress is considering rescinding the Section 1504 regulations) would not eliminate the Dodd-Frank Act, including Section 1504. Rather, the SEC would have to come up with new regulations under Section 1504. An industry sector representative suggested that it would have been beneficial if the SEC had taken industry comments and suggestions more fully into account during the rule-making process.

In response to the industry sector representatives, a civil society representative explained that the CRA prohibits the introduction of another rule that is "substantially similar" to the disapproved regulation. She also noted that President Trump has released an executive order mandating that each agency eliminate two regulations for each new regulation they put in place. She suggested that, as a result, there will not be meaningful regulations enacted under Section 1504 if the CRA action is signed by the President.

### 3. Implications for USEITI of Congressional Disapproval of Section 1504 Regulations

CSO representatives requested that the government sector speak about whether the government sees a future for USEITI without the Section 1504 rules.

A government sector representative explained that the US Department of the Interior (DOI) works with other federal departments and agencies to implement laws and regulations that are in place. At the present moment, the rules under Section 1504 are still in place. The speaker also noted that USEITI began its efforts well before the Section 1504 regulations were put in place and that there would continue to be policy and regulatory uncertainty as part of the larger context in which USEITI exists. As such, USEITI's role is to continue to try to enhance transparency, regardless of the larger policy context.



Government sector representatives noted that there have been significant changes in the EITI Standard in the years since the United States decided to join EITI and that the EITI Board continues to examine whether the requirements are reasonable and feasible for countries to comply with. The EITI International Board increasingly seems to be moving towards a model of “meaningful improvement,” rather than a strict pass-fail metric, for countries seeking validation of their EITI reports. Considering this, USEITI has an excellent case for “mainstreaming” of its reporting under the EITI framework and also has good prospects for validation.

A CSO representative responded that USEITI will not have a path to “meaningful improvement” on corporate income tax reporting without the Section 1504 regulations.

#### **D. Implementation Subcommittee Updates and Discussion**

The MSG considered a proposed approach for company revenue reporting and reconciliation for the 2017 report brought forward by the Implementation Subcommittee.

##### **1. Reporting and Reconciliation of Company Revenues**

Judy Wilson and Bob Kronebusch of ONRR presented information about the work of the Reporting Improvement Workgroup. Ms. Wilson focused her comments on a day-long workshop that the workgroup held on January 11 in Denver, Colorado. Ms. Wilson reviewed the workshop participants, objectives, and agenda, and presented the workgroup’s recommendations to the MSG about how to proceed with company revenue reporting and reconciliation in 2017 and beyond. Additional detail about the workshop is available at:

[https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/improving\\_reporting\\_workshop\\_1\\_11\\_2017\\_final.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/improving_reporting_workshop_1_11_2017_final.pdf).

Additionally, Bob Kronebusch, ONRR, provided an update on the workgroup’s analysis of the gaps between existing controls and verification of extractives industries revenue payments to the US federal government and EITI requirements for reconciliation. Mr. Kronebusch reviewed the approach taken by the workgroup, the gaps identified, and the ways in which federal and company audit and assurance standards surpass EITI standards. Additional detail about the workgroup’s work is available at:

[https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/rptg\\_imp\\_wg\\_presentation\\_final\\_1-30-17.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/rptg_imp_wg_presentation_final_1-30-17.pdf).

Following the presentations, Dan Dudis, Public Citizen, thanked Ms. Wilson and expressed support for the workgroup’s proposed approach of conducting reconciliation via “mainstreaming of EITI reporting” rather than performing an independent reconciliation of revenues for USEITI by the Independent Administrator as this would avoid duplication of work. Mike Matthews, State of Wyoming, noted that states and

tribes also conduct compliance reviews in addition to the federal and company audits and reviews surveyed by the workgroup.

In response to a question from Aaron Padilla, American Petroleum Institute, Mr. Kronebusch suggested that the gaps identified by the workgroup are likely a combination of procedural gaps and more substantive gaps in the controls.

David Romig, Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas, and Paul Bugala, George Washington University, noted that Section 4.9 of the EITI Standard specifies that auditing and reconciliation must either be performed by the independent administrator or the independent administrator must be convinced that the process is sufficiently robust. They suggested that the trustworthiness of the auditing processes undertaken by governments and companies will need to be demonstrated to the EITI Board for these to meet the EITI Standard.

Mr. Padilla suggested that USEITI also compare US auditing processes to emerging standards from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and other similar standards.

The MSG decided to move forward with the Reporting Improvement Workgroup's and Implementation Subcommittee's recommendation to forego independent reconciliation of revenues by the Independent Administrator for the 2017 USEITI Report.

- **Decisions: The MSG decided to forego independent reconciliation of revenues by the Independent Administrator for the 2017 USEITI Report to avoid duplication and increase efficiency.**

#### **E. Independent Administrator's Updates**

Members of the Independent Administrator (IA) team from Deloitte provided updates on the reporting template for the 2017 USEITI Report and on the topics that could be included as visualizations in the 2017 report.

These updates and accompanying MSG discussions are summarized below.

##### **1. Reporting Template for 2017 USEITI Report**

Alex Klepacz, Independent Administrator team member from Deloitte, presented a proposed reporting template for company revenue reporting for the 2017 USEITI Report. The proposed reporting template is available at:

[https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti\\_reporting\\_template\\_-\\_20170117\\_-\\_draft.xlsx](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti_reporting_template_-_20170117_-_draft.xlsx) and draft reporting guidelines are available at: [https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti\\_reporting\\_template\\_guidelines\\_-\\_20170117\\_-\\_draft\\_1.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti_reporting_template_guidelines_-_20170117_-_draft_1.pdf). A draft template for declaring beneficial ownership information is available at: [https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/draft-model-beneficial-ownership-declaration-form\\_1.xlsx](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/draft-model-beneficial-ownership-declaration-form_1.xlsx).



Veronika Kohler, National Mining Association and Industry Sector Co-Chair, noted that the MSG has already approved a roadmap for disclosing information about beneficial ownership of publicly traded companies and inquired as to how this would be reported by companies. Mr. Gould suggested that the reporting template around beneficial ownership be included in the main reporting form even though it would only apply to publicly traded companies.

In response to a question from Mr. Matthews, Mr. Klepacz clarified that the reporting template would also ask companies to report payor codes, as they have in previous years of USEITI.

Mr. Padilla commented that the industry sector anticipates that there may be a high degree of variability in companies' approach to reporting for the 2017 report in terms of the degree to which companies aggregate or break out information and classify revenue streams. Some companies may provide very detailed information due to having compiled it for other reporting requirements, such as the EU directive.

The MSG approved the proposed reporting template for 2017.

- **Decisions: The MSG approved the proposed reporting template for 2017.**

## **2. 2017 Topics and Visualizations**

Luke Hawbaker, Independent Administrator team member from Deloitte, presented about possible additions that the MSG could choose to make to the contextual narrative portion of the 2017 USEITI Report. Mr. Hawbaker's slides are available at: [https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/2017\\_useiti\\_contextual\\_narrative\\_topics\\_msg\\_presentation\\_updated\\_1.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/2017_useiti_contextual_narrative_topics_msg_presentation_updated_1.pdf).

Responding to questions from MSG members, Ms. Wilson explained that USEITI has included three additional visualizations in its scope of work with the Independent Administrator for 2017. Based on the MSG's prior discussions, the Independent Administrator is anticipating that one visualization will focus on employment by commodity, a second on US audit and assurance procedures, and a third topic is to be determined by the MSG. These additional visualizations would be included in the report in 2017 and in future years. Ms. Kohler added that the Co-Chairs had proposed adding a "special highlight," either on forestry or on renewable energy, based on past MSG discussions.

MSG members discussed the criteria by which to make a decision about which topics and visualizations to add to the 2017 report. John Cassidy, IA team member from Deloitte, noted that the two criteria that the IA has been considering are: 1) increasing public engagement and interest in USEITI and 2) strengthening the case for USEITI validation with the International EITI Board. Ms. Kohler cautioned that the MSG does

not have a strong sense of what would interest the public since there has been limited public engagement with USEITI.

Following Mr. Hawbaker's presentation, the MSG discussed a variety of different options for additional content to include in the 2017 Report. The MSG's discussion is summarized below and organized by the different options considered with a final section focusing on the decisions made by the MSG to move forward.

**a) Employment by Commodity**

In response to requests by Mr. Hawbaker and Sarah Platts, Independent Administrator team member from Deloitte, to decide on whether to use data sets from the Bureau of Labor Statistics or from the US Census Bureau to present information about employment by commodity, Ms. Brian thanked Deloitte for their work and requested that CSO sector member Betsy Taylor be given more time to examine both data sets. Mr. Padilla requested that a note be included in the report indicating that the employment data only includes salaried and hourly employees not pass-through entities, sole proprietorships, and others.

The MSG opted to move forward with Mr. Gould's suggestion that the Implementation Committee consider and decide on which dataset to use to provide information for employment by commodity.

- **Approval: The MSG approved the motion to have the Implementation Committee decide on which dataset to use to provide information for employment by commodity.**

**b) Audit & Assurances**

Mr. Hawbaker provided an overview of existing content about the US audit and assurance process and of potential new content that could be added with the intention of strengthening USEITI's case for mainstreaming and foregoing independent reconciliation by the Independent Administrator. Mr. Bugala suggested that USEITI use an alternate term for "foregoing reconciliation," such as "not reconciling twice."

Ms. Brian raised the possibility of including the information that Mr. Kronebusch has developed about US audit and assurance processes in lieu of having the Independent Administrator create new content about this topic. Mr. Cassidy asked whether Mr. Kronebusch's material may be too complex for many members of the public to understand. In response, Ms. Brian suggested that information about audit and assurance procedures would likely be difficult for many members of the public to understand in any format.

Ms. Kohler suggested that including clear information about the US audit and assurance process in the USEITI report would also help to give the public more confidence in the audit process. Ms. Brian and Mr. Gould raised a concern that a visualization about the

audit and assurance process would not prove to be useful to the general public while also not providing the detailed information that well-informed parties would need to develop that additional confidence in the audit process.

Mr. Gould suggested that the USEITI Secretariat could put together information explaining US audit and assurance procedures for making the case to the EITI Board that USEITI does not need to reconcile revenues separately and redundantly through a Independent Administrator. Pursuing this path, the IA would not need to create additional content about this topic for the USEITI report nor a separate visualization from the one that was created last year.

*c) Additional Metals*

Keith Romig, United Steelworkers, suggested adding a “special highlight on additional metals” (such as silver, aluminum, lead, and zinc) because some MSG members are already knowledgeable about these commodities, in contrast to two other proposed “special highlights” – on forestry and on renewable energy. He also suggested that USEITI would likely need to expand its scope over time to include these additional metals, and possibly non-metal minerals.

Mr. Matthews suggested adding other commodities, such as trona, that are subject to federal royalty payments.

*d) The Life of a Lease*

Mr. Bugala suggested that additional information about the “life of a lease” be added to the contextual narrative, either in the form of a new visualization created by the Independent Administrator or by including material created by Mr. Kronebusch about federal leasing.

Ms. Wilson stated that the USEITI Secretariat and GSA 18F can try to include information about leasing in the 2017 Report but that this may be a challenge given limited time and resources. Mr. Bugala responded that if the Secretariat could make a good faith effort to include information about leasing in the 2017 Report then he does not need this topic to be considered for inclusion as an IA-produced visualization.

*e) Forestry*

Mr. Gould observed that USEITI has been discussing forestry for some time and has had challenges adding forestry representatives to the MSG. He suggested that adding a special highlight on forestry could provide information about forestry for relatively little effort while also stoking interest in including forestry in the scope of USEITI in a fuller way in the future.

*f) Renewable Energy*

Ms. Brian suggested that there exists much interest in the general public about renewable energy and the jobs being created in that industry, and so it may be beneficial to add a special highlight on renewable energy to the 2017 USEITI Report.

**g) The MSG's Decision-Making About Topics and Visualizations to Include**

Given the wide range of discussion and many topics under consideration for inclusion in the 2017 report, Ms. Kohler emphasized that rational criteria should be used to determine which topics would be included and that, if topics such as “additional metals” or the “life of a lease” are included, then the MSG would need to understand better what these topics would entail, as they have not been discussed much by the MSG in the past.

Mr. Bugala noted that having the Implementation Subcommittee consider issues of this nature before they come to the full MSG could streamline discussions during MSG meetings.

The MSG agreed to have the USEITI Secretariat work with GSA 18F to add material for the 2017 USEITI Report about the US audit and assurance procedures and for the USEITI Secretariat to make a “good faith effort” to include information about “the life of a lease” in the 2017 USEITI Report.

Mr. Cassidy suggested that the IA could further flesh out the contours of the following topics: additional metals, forestry, and renewable energy, and present these to the Implementation Subcommittee for decision-making.

- **Decision:** The MSG decided to have the USEITI Secretariat work with GSA 18F to add material for the 2017 USEITI Report about US audit and assurance procedures and for the USEITI Secretariat to make a “good faith effort” to include information about “the life of a lease” in the 2017 USEITI Report.
- **Approval:** The MSG approved the motion to have the Implementation Committee decide on which two additional visualizations (between additional metals, forestry, and renewable energy) to include in the 2017 USEITI Report, along with a visualization about employment by commodity.

**F. Project Level Reporting**

Mr. Kronebusch and Nathan Brannberg, DOI, presented information about project-level data disclosure and the process of requesting project-level data from the US Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR). They also presented about the types of data requested received by ONRR during FY2016. Additional information is available in Mr. Kronebusch's and Mr. Brannberg's presentation, available at: [https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/obtaining\\_project\\_level\\_info\\_from\\_onrr\\_final\\_1-30-17.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/obtaining_project_level_info_from_onrr_final_1-30-17.pdf).

In response to their presentation, an MSG member from the CSO sector pushed back on the assertion from Mr. Kronebusch and Mr. Brannberg that not many members of the public are interested in detailed data. She suggested, instead, that the public has lost



faith in the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) process and the difficulty in obtaining information.

#### **IV. Public Comments**

Public comments were accepted in written form for this MSG meeting, as described in the “Adjustment of Meeting Schedule and Agenda” section, on page 6 of this summary. Written public comments received are provided below.

***Nancy Harkins***

***West Chester, PA***

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The resource extraction transparency rule is critical to ensuring an informed and empowered electorate that is what President Trump has pledged to deliver. This cannot happen if we do not have this rule and we do not have a transparent government that does not marginalize individual voters in favor of the oil and gas industry.

If Trump is serious about giving power back to the people, then he must stop doing the bidding of the Chamber I oppose Republican efforts to undo critical rules protecting the environment and public welfare. In his inaugural address, Trump famously declared that alleged “American carnage stops right here and right now.” The resource extraction transparency rule would be of significant aid in stopping the all too real carnage taking place in countries afflicted by the resource curse, countries like Nigeria, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Afghanistan. It’s time that Trump gets serious about putting people – all people – first, and corporate special interests like the Chamber, API and Big Oil companies second.

Thank you for making my comment part of the record.

***Jennifer Krill, Earthworks***

Extractive Industries Transparency should mean what it says. Unfortunately, by supporting the elimination of section 1504 of the Dodd Frank Act, even as it is being discussed over in the House of Representatives today, it is clear the MSG does not universally share the value of using financial transparency to eliminate corruption and promote best practices.

API's lobbying in support of 1504's repeal is a clear violation of our Terms of Reference. I want to express support for the statement made by CSO co-chair this morning calling for the removal of API from USEITI, a view we would hold with regard to any MSG members who oppose Section 1504. Any member company of API that has not publicly broken with API's position on 1504 should also not be part of USEITI.

Finally, it is inappropriate and disappointing to cancel public comments and unhealthy to limit public debate at today's MSG meeting.

## V. Wrap Up / Closing

Mr. Patrick Field, facilitator from the Consensus Building Institute, reviewed the action items and the decisions coming out of the MSG meeting. Decisions will be recorded in an updated MSG Decision Matrix by the USEITI Secretariat.

Keith Romig asked to read out a statement on behalf of the CSO sector. The facilitator noted that the co-chairs had determined to move forward beyond the 1504 discussion the late morning. Mr. Romig read the note expressing disappointment about the MSG eliminating the verbal public comment period during the MSG meeting and also about the inappropriateness of the American Petroleum Institute's participation on the USEITI MSG. The text of Romig's comments are provided in Appendix B, available on page 20 of this meeting summary.

Following Mr. Romig's comments, Ms. Kohler stated that the public comment period was not eliminated and requested that the DFO adhere strictly to FACA protocols in the future. She suggested that the MSG had been too easy going in allowing people to speak on behalf of MSG members, allowing for interruptions, and the like, but that this approach was being abused by certain sectors. In response, the Acting DFO offered to review the MSG terms of reference and adhere to those.

Several members of the CSO sector raised their placards and requested to respond to Ms. Kohler's comments. The Acting DFO adjourned the meeting at this time.

## VI. Meeting Participants

The following is a list of attendees from the February 1, 2017 USEITI MSG meeting.

Chaired by Judy Wilson, Acting Designated Federal Officer, for the USEITI Advisory Committee, US Department of the Interior.

### A. Participating Primary Committee Members

#### Civil Society

Danielle Brian, Project on Government Oversight, USEITI MSG Advisory Committee Co-Chair

Paul Bugala, American University

Lynda Farrell, Pipeline Safety Coalition

Keith Romig Jr., United Steelworkers

Veronica Slajer, North Star Group

#### Government

Curtis Carlson, Department of the Treasury

Greg Gould, Department of the Interior, USEITI MSG Advisory Committee Co-Chair

Mike Matthews, State of Wyoming - Department of Audit/Mineral Audit Division

Mike Smith, Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission



Industry

Stella Alvarado, Anadarko Petroleum

Michael Blank, Peabody Energy

Susan Ginsberg, Independent Petroleum Association of America

Veronika Kohler, National Mining Association, USEITI MSG Advisory Committee Co-Chair

Johanna Nesseth, Chevron

**B. Committee Alternates in Attendance**

Civil Society

Daniel Dudis, Public Citizen

Zorka Milin, Global Witness

Government

Jim Steward, Department of the Interior

Industry

Aaron Padilla, American Petroleum Institute

David Romig, Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas

Nick Welch, Noble Energy Inc.

**C. Members of the Independent Administrator Team in Attendance**

John Cassidy, Deloitte

Luke Hawbaker, Deloitte

Alex Klepacz, Deloitte

Sarah Platts, Deloitte

**D. Government, MSG Members or Alternates via Phone, and Members of the Public in Attendance**

Rebecca Adamson, First Peoples Worldwide

Avery, Concerned Citizen

Joyce Aober, USGS

Sam Bartlett, EITI

Neil Brown, Lugar Center

David Chambers, Center for Science in Public Participation

Spencer King

Jennifer Krill, Earthworks

Mike LeVine, Oceana

Nicole Levine, Oceana

Laura Logan

Julie Maldonado, Livelihoods Knowledge Exchange Networks

Waseem Mardini, Publish What You Pay US

Aaron Mintzes, Earthworks

Sara Porter, Private Citizen

P. Rucker

Rosalie Satta, University of CA Santa Barbara

Mia Steinle, Project on Government Oversight

Betsy Taylor, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

Catherine Traywick, Bloomberg News

Micah Watson, Department of State

Claire Ware, Eastern Shoshone & Northern Arapaho Tribes

Joseph Williams, Metro Resource Governance Institute

#### **E. Facilitation Team**

Patrick Field, Consensus Building Institute

Tushar Kansal, Consensus Building Institute

#### **F. DOI MSG Support Team**

Nathan Brannberg, Office of Natural Resources Revenue

A. Evans, Office of Natural Resources Revenue

Jerry Gidner, Office of Natural Resources Revenue

Jennifer Goldblatt, Office of Natural Resources Revenue

Robert Kronebusch, Office of Natural Resources Revenue

Darrel Redford, Office of Natural Resources Revenue

Judy Wilson, Office of Natural Resources Revenue

### **VII. Documents Distributed**

Agenda ([PDF](#))

November MSG Meeting Summary ([PDF](#))

Meeting Notes from January 11th Improving Reporting Workshop ([PDF](#))

Draft Reporting Template ([XLS](#))

Draft Reporting Guidelines ([PDF](#))

Template EITI Beneficial Ownership Declaration Form ([XLS](#))

Communications Plan ([PDF](#))

## VIII. Appendix A

Opening comments provided by Daniel Brian on behalf of the CSO sector:

*Today the House and possibly the Senate are preparing to vote on whether to disapprove the Cardin-Lugar 1504 rule. As all of you who have been working on USEITI know, we have been waiting for months, years, for that rule to be finalized so that we could move forward with our work. 1504 is the cornerstone of USEITI and civil society vociferously objects to its gutting.*

*During these past years we have been told repeatedly that industry will not voluntarily disclose more than what is required of them by law. To be fair, despite that, several companies have honored the spirit of EITI and have gone beyond what was already legally required and disclosed their tax payments even before 1504 was implemented. And we thanked those companies by name in the last report. And we have been punting on the basic EITI requirements of tax disclosure and project level reporting because we were told we had to wait for the rule before we could do more.*

*I now ask our government and industry colleagues to please join me in expressing our opposition to the misguided effort to disapprove the rule. If any of the companies who have already supported the disclosure of taxes and project level reporting are willing to make their voices heard now, before the House and Senate vote, we might be able to prevent the loss of this anti-corruption measure.*

*We in civil society believe that the lobbying effort by the American Petroleum Institute to kill the 1504 rule is particularly galling, in that in their fact sheets, API uses their participation in USEITI as evidence that they believe in transparency. In those same documents API claims the disclosures required by 1504- which are complementary to EITI standards - are anti-competitive- even though their competitors are held to the same standards through the EU and Canadian rules. In other words, they never intended to support disclosure of taxes by company or project level reporting of other revenue streams.*

*We know that Aaron has been working hard on USEITI and he is not personally responsible for the positions of his employer, but it is simply unacceptable for API to continue to benefit from the goodwill generated from their boasting of their participation in USEITI while at the same time actively working to directly undermine our success. As a result, civil society is formally requesting that the DFO remove API from the MSG.*

## IX. Appendix B

Comment made by Keith Romig:

*Just before I do [make a comment on behalf of the CSO sector] I'm going to make a statement on my own behalf as it's a shame that we ended up eliminating the verbal public comment period and the irony of that is that quite often when we open up the microphones for public comment there's a dead silence for ten minutes. This is one of the very few when we might've had fairly extensive public comment and it's a shame we didn't get to hear it. But that's just my statement, my personal statement. The formal statement follows.*

*Written statements are being submitted by CSOs and by this I mean, among others, members of this committee not able to be present including Neil Brown, Michael Levine, Betsy Taylor, Jennifer Krill and several others expressing concern, frustration and protest about the elimination of public comment at today's meeting. Many of CSOs are sending separate written messages expressing the inappropriateness of the American Petroleum Institute's participation in EITI while lobbying against 1504.*

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# Conversation Contents

## Royalty Policy Committee

### Attachments:

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**From:** "Wilson, Judith" <judith.wilson@onrr.gov>  
**Sent:** Tue Apr 11 2017 12:26:06 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** "vkohler@nma.org" <vkohler@nma.org>  
**Subject:** Royalty Policy Committee

Veronika,

Do you have an interest in serving on the Committee? Do you have any recommendations for nominees?. Have any members of the USEITI MSG expressed their interest to you? David Romig called us to express his interest in serving as a member.

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**Subject:** Re: Royalty Policy Committee  
**Attachments:** Published FR Notice of Establishment, Royalty Policy Committee, 03 29 17.pdf

With the Federal Register notice this time.

On Tue, Apr 11, 2017 at 2:26 PM, Wilson, Judith <[judith.wilson@onrr.gov](mailto:judith.wilson@onrr.gov)> wrote:

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**Sent:** Tue Apr 11 2017 12:38:11 GMT-0600 (MDT)  
**To:** "Wilson, Judith" <judith.wilson@onrr.gov>  
**CC:** Greg Gould <greg.gould@onrr.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Royalty Policy Committee

Dear Judy,

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Look forward to hearing from you

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Office of the Secretary**

[Docket No. ONRR–2012–0003; DS63600000  
DR2000000.PMN000 178D0102R2]

**Royalty Policy Committee  
Establishment; Request for  
Nominations**

**AGENCY:** Office of Natural Resources  
Revenue, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) is establishing and seeking nominations for the Royalty Policy Committee (Committee). The Committee will provide advice to the Secretary on the fair market value of, and the collection of revenues derived from, the development of energy and mineral resources on Federal and Indian lands.

**DATES:** Comments regarding the establishment of this Committee must be submitted no later than April 18, 2017. Nominations for the Committee must be submitted by May 3, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments and/or nominations by any of the following methods:

- Mail or hand-carry nominations to Ms. Kim Oliver, Department of the Interior, Office of Natural Resources Revenue, 1849 C Street NW., MS 5134, Washington, DC 20240; or
- *Email nominations to:*  
*Kimiko.oliver@onrr.gov.*

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Judy Wilson, Office of Natural Resources Revenue; telephone (202) 208–4410; email: *judith.wilson@onrr.gov.*

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Committee is established under the authority of the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) and regulated by the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2). The Secretary seeks to ensure that the public receives the full value of the natural resources produced from Federal lands. The duties of the Committee are solely advisory in nature. The Committee will, at the request of the Designated Federal Officer (DFO), advise on current and emerging issues related to the determination of fair market value, and the collection of revenue from energy and mineral resources on Federal and Indian lands. The Committee also will advise on the potential impacts of proposed policies and regulations related to revenue collection from such development, including whether a need exists for regulatory reform.

We are seeking nominations for individuals to be considered as

Committee members. The Committee will not exceed 28 members and will be composed of Federal and non-Federal members in order to ensure fair and balanced representation. The Secretary will appoint non-Federal members and their alternates to the Committee to serve up to a three-year term. The Assistant Secretary—Land and Minerals Management and the Director of ONRR, or their designee(s), shall serve as co-Chairs of the Committee.

**Federal Members:** The Secretary will appoint the following officials as non-voting, ex-officio members of the Committee:

- A representative of the Secretary's Immediate Office
- Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs
- Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs
- Director, Bureau of Land Management
- Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
- Director, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement

These officials may designate a senior official to act on their behalf.

**Non-Federal Members:** The Secretary will appoint members in the following categories:

- Up to six members representing the Governors of States that receive more than \$10,000,000 annually in royalty revenues from onshore and offshore Federal leases.
- Up to four members representing the Indian Tribes that are engaged in activities subject to: The Act of May 11, 1938 (commonly known as the “Indian Mineral Leasing Act of 1938”) (25 U.S.C. 396a *et seq.*); Title XXVI of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (25 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*); The Indian Mineral Development Act of 1982 (25 U.S.C. 2101 *et seq.*); and any other law relating to mineral development that is specific to one or more Indian Tribes.
- Up to six members representing various mineral and/or energy stakeholders in Federal and Indian royalty policy.
- Up to four members representing academia and public interest groups. Nominations should include a resume providing an adequate description of the nominee's qualifications, including information that would enable DOI to make an informed decision regarding meeting the membership requirements of the Committee and to permit DOI to contact a potential member.

The Committee will meet at least once each calendar year and at such other times as the DFO determines to be necessary. Members of the Committee serve without compensation. However, while away from their homes or regular places of business, Committee and

subcommittee members engaged in Committee or subcommittee business that the DFO approves may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5703, in the same manner as persons employed intermittently in Federal Government service.

**Public Disclosure of Comments:**

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Certification Statement:** I hereby certify that the Royalty Policy Committee is necessary, is in the public interest, and is established under the authority of the Secretary of the Interior, in support of greater transparency in creating royalty and leasing policy for mineral production on Federal and Tribal lands.

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. Appendix 2.

Dated: March 29, 2017.

**Ryan K. Zinke,**

*Secretary, Department of the Interior.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****National Park Service**

[NPS–WASO–NAGPRA–22749;  
PPWOCRADN0–PCU00RP15.R50000]

**Native American Graves Protection  
and Repatriation Review Committee:  
Request for Nominations**

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The National Park Service is soliciting nominations for one member of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Review Committee (Review Committee). The Secretary of the Interior will appoint one member from nominations submitted by Indian tribes, Native Hawaiian organizations, or traditional Native American religious leaders. The nominee need not be a traditional Indian religious leader. The Review Committee was established by the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 1990 (NAGPRA), and is regulated by the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA).

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**SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
PREPARED: MARCH 2017**

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**I. Introduction**

The U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI), with Judy Wilson presiding as acting Designated Federal Official (DFO), convened the nineteenth meeting of the U.S. Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (USEITI) Multi-Stakeholder Group Advisory Committee (MSG) on February 1, 2017, in Washington, DC.

The purpose of the meeting was to receive updates from the Independent Administrator on various aspects of developing the online report and executive summary for the 2017 USEITI Report and how to move forward with these; receive updates on the work of the Implementation, Communications, and State and Tribal Opt-in Subcommittees; and discuss the prospects for proceeding with mainstreaming of USEITI reporting into US government processes and the inclusion of project-level reporting in USEITI Reports. The MSG opted not to cover all of these items after the Co-Chairs agreed to accelerate the MSG's work and adjourn the meeting after one day rather than hold a two-day meeting, as originally planned. Please see the "Adjustment of Meeting Schedule and Agenda" section on page 6 for additional information.

Please note that, throughout this meeting summary, comments made by presenters, Independent Administrator team members, other non-MSG members, and those directly pertaining to an MSG decision are attributed to specific speakers. Other comments are provided without attribution in order to foster open discussion among MSG members excepting final deliberations prior to specific MSG decisions.

Interested parties are asked to contact USEITI at [useiti@ios.doi.gov](mailto:useiti@ios.doi.gov) or 202-208-0272 with any questions, comments, or concerns regarding the content of this meeting summary.

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## II. Summary of Endorsements, Decisions, Approvals, and Action Items

### A. Endorsements

- No endorsements were made by the MSG at the February 2017 MSG meeting.

### B. Decisions

- The MSG decided to move forward with the Implementing Subcommittee’s recommendation to forego independent reconciliation of revenues by the Independent Administrator for the 2017 USEITI Report. *(see page 9)*
- The MSG decided to use and move forward with the proposed reporting template for 2017. *(see page 10)*
- The MSG decided to have the USEITI Secretariat work to add material for the 2017 USEITI Report about US audit and assurance procedures and for the USEITI Secretariat to make a “good faith effort” to include information about “the life of a lease” in the 2017 USEITI Report. *(see page 14)*

### C. Approvals

- The MSG approved the November 2016 MSG meeting summary. *(see page 5)*
- The MSG approved the motion to have the Implementation Committee decide on which dataset source (Bureau of Labor Statistics or Census Bureau) to use to provide information for employment by commodity. *(see page 12)*
- The MSG approved the motion to have the Implementation Committee decide on which two additional visualizations (between additional metals, forestry, and renewable energy) to include in the 2017 USEITI Report, along with a visualization about employment by commodity *(see page 14)*.

### D. Confirmations

- No confirmations were made by the MSG at the February 2017 MSG meeting.

### E. Action Items

- **Co-Chairs:**
  - Review and distribute meeting summary from the February 2017 MSG meeting to MSG members.
  - Develop agenda for the June 2017 MSG meeting.
- **Implementation Subcommittee**

- Decide on which dataset source (Bureau of Labor Statistics or Census Bureau) to use to provide information for employment by commodity. *(see page 12)*
- Decide on which two additional visualizations (between additional metals, forestry, and renewable energy) to include in the 2017 USEITI Report, along with a visualization about employment by commodity *(see page 14)*
- **USEITI Secretariat:**
  - Work to create supplemental material for the 2017 USEITI Report about US audit and assurance procedures. *(see page 14)*
  - Make a “good faith effort” to include information about “the life of a lease” in the 2017 USEITI Report. *(see page 14)*
  - MSG decisions will be recorded in an updated MSG Decision Matrix by the Secretariat. *(see page 16)*
- **Independent Administrator (Deloitte)**
  - Integrate the beneficial ownership reporting template into the main reporting form. *(see page 10)*
  - Flesh out the contours of the following topics: additional metals, forestry, and renewable energy, and present these to the Implementation Subcommittee for decision-making regarding which visualizations to include in the 2017 USEITI Report. *(see page 14)*
- **Acting Designated Federal Office**
  - Review the MSG terms of reference and consider how to ensure adherence to those in future MSG meetings. *(see page 16)*
- **USEITI Process Facilitator (Consensus Building Institute)**
  - Create a meeting summary for the February 2017 MSG meeting.

### III. Presentations and Key Discussions

Judy Wilson, U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI), presiding as acting Designated Federal Official for the USEITI MSG, opened the meeting and welcomed participants. All individuals in attendance introduced themselves. A full attendance list can be found in Section VI – Meeting Participants, page 16.

#### A. Opening Remarks

Ms. Wilson provided opening remarks by noting that the transition to the new presidential administration had begun. Congressional consideration of the nomination for the new Secretary of the Interior, Ryan Zinke, is underway. She also noted that, although there has been discussion and media coverage about possible Congressional action on regulations under Section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank Act, at the time of the MSG meeting, the regulations are still in effect.

Danielle Brian, Project on Government Oversight and civil society organization (CSO) sector co-chair, also read out an opening statement on behalf of the CSO sector. In that

statement, Ms. Brian called on the industry and government sector representatives on the MSG to speak out publicly in favor of the Section 1504 rule in order to help persuade Congress to retain the rule. The CSO statement also formally requested that the DFO remove the American Petroleum Institute from holding a seat on the USEITI MSG. The full text of Ms. Brian's comments is provided in Appendix A, available on page 19 of this meeting summary.

## **B. USEITI MSG Business**

The MSG conducted the following items of business during the course of the MSG meeting.

### **1. Terminology and USEITI December 2015 Meeting Summary**

Judy Wilson, USEITI Secretariat, reminded meeting participants that the MSG has agreed to employ three terms to differentiate between different types of actions that the MSG takes:

- "Decisions" will indicate significant actions and agreements by the MSG key to meeting EITI international standards.
- "Approvals" will indicate lower-level decisions by the MSG, such as approving work plans, meeting summaries, process changes or additions, etc.
- "Confirmations" will confirm decisions that the MSG has previously made.

The MSG approved the meeting summary of the November 2016 MSG meeting, with some corrections provided by MSG members. A copy of the final, approved meeting summary is available online at: [https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti\\_msg\\_-\\_nov\\_2016\\_mtg\\_summary\\_0.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti_msg_-_nov_2016_mtg_summary_0.pdf)

- **Approval: The MSG approved the meeting summary from the November 2016 USEITI MSG meeting.**

### **2. Preview of March 2017 International EITI Board Meeting**

Greg Gould, government sector co-chair, explained that the March 8-9 meeting of the EITI Board would cover a number of topics important for USEITI, including mainstreaming, the beneficial ownership roadmap that USEITI submitted in December 2016, and an open data policy for EITI. Mr. Gould invited Micah Watson of Department of State to provide additional comments about the upcoming EITI board meeting.

A MSG member from the civil society sector inquired of Mr. Gould about how mainstreaming would work without regulations in place under Section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank Act, by which companies would be required to disclose their corporate income tax payments.

Micah Watson, US Department of State, introduced himself and noted that he works under Ambassador Mary Warlick, a member of the EITI International Board. He explained that the EITI Board has spent much of the past year focusing on internal



governance and finances and that it would shift its focus to validation of EITI countries in 2017. Almost half of the implementing countries will be undergoing validation during the next 18 months. He added that a number of new countries would also be submitting their applications to join EITI during coming months.

A MSG member from the civil society sector inquired of Mr. Watson about the implications of the resource curse for US foreign policy as well as the reaction in other countries when the United States opts not to follow international norms. In response, Mr. Watson offered that the State Department does believe in the efficacy of EITI and other transparency initiatives in combating the resource curse in many countries. He also noted that there was broad support internationally for the regulations promulgated under Section 1504 and that there appears to be much concern globally about the direction that the US may be taking in the possible rescission of those regulations.

### **3. Adjustment of Meeting Schedule and Agenda**

During the lunch break on February 1, the Co-Chairs and acting DFO conferred and agreed that the deliberations in Congress around the Section 1504 regulations and the prospect that these would be disapproved had introduced significant uncertainty and upheaval into the MSG meeting. Following lunch, Ms. Wilson, the acting DFO, announced that the remainder of the meeting on February 1 would focus on critical-path decisions that are required by the MSG for production of the 2017 USEITI Report. Additional agenda items, such as updates from the Communications and State and Tribal Opt-in Subcommittees, would be postponed and the second day of the MSG meeting would not be needed given the truncated agenda per unanimous decision of the Co-Chairs.

In response to a request from MSG members representing the CSO sector that MSG members from their sector who had called into the meeting be allowed to participate in MSG discussions, Ms. Wilson, acting DFO, clarified that the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) requires that MSG members be physically present at the MSG meeting in order to be considered MSG members. Members of the MSG who call into the meeting over the phone are considered members of the public.

Ms. Wilson also announced that public comments would be accepted in writing in lieu of holding an open, verbal public comment period, as is permissible under the Federal Advisory Committee Act. She requested that commenters send their comments to the following email address: [useiti@ios.doi.gov](mailto:useiti@ios.doi.gov). The reason behind this decision was the agenda for the two day meeting was compressed to one day and because MSG discussion and decision making in the second half of the day would occur after the previously scheduled mid-day public comment period.

## **C. MSG Discussions Regarding Congressional Recission of Regulations under Section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank Act**

MSG members discussed a variety of issues related to the Section 1504 regulations, their role in USEITI, and the implications for USEITI if Congress disapproves the regulations.

### **1. Relevance of Section 1504 Regulations for USEITI**

CSO representatives stated that the rules promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) under Section 1504 are fundamental to the future of the USEITI. Without this rule, there will be no possibility of corporate tax reporting and therefore no possibility for validation under the international EITI Standard. The MSG needs to address this issue head on.

An industry sector representative stated that the industry sector has worked very hard to help implement USEITI, resulting in the creation of a very useful website [the USEITI report]. The MSG's role is to provide information to the American public, not to litigate policy questions over which its members have no control. If the CSO sector feels that there is no value to USEITI beyond corporate tax reporting, then the MSG should discuss that.

Members of the CSO sector agreed that the USEITI website is an advancement and success, and that USEITI has important work together, but that USEITI will be far short of meeting the purpose of EITI, which is revenue transparency, without inclusion of information about corporate income tax payments and project-level reporting.

### **2. The Role of USEITI MSG Members in Decision-Making Around Section 1504 Regulations**

CSO representatives suggested that there are serious questions and concerns about whether members of the industry sector are participating in USEITI in good faith around this particular issue of tax reporting. CSO members asked that members of the industry sector on the MSG need to speak up about whether they support Congressional efforts to repeal rulemaking under Section 1504. CSO members noted that they are frustrated that there are members of the industry sector who have been taking credit for corporate social responsibility and transparency efforts by virtue of their participation in USEITI while, in the CSO's view, behind the scenes they have been lobbying and litigating to undermine the Section 1504 rules.

Both industry and government sector representative voiced that USEITI MSG members could not influence Congressional decision-making around the Section 1504 regulations and that the USEITI MSG should focus on implementing USEITI. CSO representatives pushed back against this assertion. The CSO representatives noted that many of the largest oil and gas companies in the US and the world have representatives on the MSG and that these companies hold significant influence in Congress.

A member of the industry sector noted that his company has supported the implementation of the Dodd-Frank Act, including Section 1504, but that the current regulations under that section are overly burdensome. This member's company supports fixing those regulations to make them easier for companies to comply with. Additional representatives of the industry sector also articulated support for transparency as long as it does not place undue burden on companies.

Civil society members urged their colleagues in the industry and government sectors to join them in speaking in a united voice, as the USEITI MSG, in support of retaining the current Section 1504 rules. The united voice of the MSG could persuade Congress to retain the rules. The Government sector reminded members that the executive branch and its functions, like FACAs, are prohibited from lobbying Congress.

Industry sector representatives articulated their understanding that the Congressional Review Act (CRA, through which Congress is considering rescinding the Section 1504 regulations) would not eliminate the Dodd-Frank Act, including Section 1504. Rather, the SEC would have to come up with new regulations under Section 1504. An industry sector representative suggested that it would have been beneficial if the SEC had taken industry comments and suggestions more fully into account during the rule-making process.

In response to the industry sector representatives, a civil society representative explained that the CRA prohibits the introduction of another rule that is "substantially similar" to the disapproved regulation. She also noted that President Trump has released an executive order mandating that each agency eliminate two regulations for each new regulation they put in place. She suggested that, as a result, there will not be meaningful regulations enacted under Section 1504 if the CRA action is signed by the President.

### **3. Implications for USEITI of Congressional Disapproval of Section 1504 Regulations**

CSO representatives requested that the government sector speak about whether the government sees a future for USEITI without the Section 1504 rules.

A government sector representative explained that the US Department of the Interior (DOI) works with other federal departments and agencies to implement laws and regulations that are in place. At the present moment, the rules under Section 1504 are still in place. The speaker also noted that USEITI began its efforts well before the Section 1504 regulations were put in place and that there would continue to be policy and regulatory uncertainty as part of the larger context in which USEITI exists. As such, USEITI's role is to continue to try to enhance transparency, regardless of the larger policy context.

Government sector representatives noted that that there have been significant changes in the EITI Standard in the years since the United States decided to join EITI and that the EITI Board continues to examine whether the requirements are reasonable and feasible for countries to comply with. The EITI International Board increasingly seems to be moving towards a model of “meaningful improvement,” rather than a strict pass-fail metric, for countries seeking validation of their EITI reports. Considering this, USEITI has an excellent case for “mainstreaming” of its reporting under the EITI framework and also has good prospects for validation.

A CSO representative responded that USEITI will not have a path to “meaningful improvement” on corporate income tax reporting without the Section 1504 regulations.

#### **D. Implementation Subcommittee Updates and Discussion**

The MSG considered a proposed approach for company revenue reporting and reconciliation for the 2017 report brought forward by the Implementation Subcommittee.

##### **1. Reporting and Reconciliation of Company Revenues**

Judy Wilson and Bob Kronebusch of ONRR presented information about the work of the Reporting Improvement Workgroup. Ms. Wilson focused her comments on a day-long workshop that the workgroup held on January 11 in Denver, Colorado. Ms. Wilson reviewed the workshop participants, objectives, and agenda, and presented the workgroup’s recommendations to the MSG about how to proceed with company revenue reporting and reconciliation in 2017 and beyond. Additional detail about the workshop is available at:

[https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/improving\\_reporting\\_workshop\\_1\\_11\\_2017\\_final.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/improving_reporting_workshop_1_11_2017_final.pdf).

Additionally, Bob Kronebusch, ONRR, provided an update on the workgroup’s analysis of the gaps between existing controls and verification of extractives industries revenue payments to the US federal government and EITI requirements for reconciliation. Mr. Kronebusch reviewed the approach taken by the workgroup, the gaps identified, and the ways in which federal and company audit and assurance standards surpass EITI standards. Additional detail about the workgroup’s work is available at:

[https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/rptg\\_imp\\_wg\\_presentation\\_final\\_1-30-17.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/rptg_imp_wg_presentation_final_1-30-17.pdf).

Following the presentations, Dan Dudis, Public Citizen, thanked Ms. Wilson and expressed support for the workgroup’s proposed approach of conducting reconciliation via “mainstreaming of EITI reporting” rather than performing an independent reconciliation of revenues for USEITI by the Independent Administrator as this would avoid duplication of work. Mike Matthews, State of Wyoming, noted that states and

tribes also conduct compliance reviews in addition to the federal and company audits and reviews surveyed by the workgroup.

In response to a question from Aaron Padilla, American Petroleum Institute, Mr. Kronebusch suggested that the gaps identified by the workgroup are likely a combination of procedural gaps and more substantive gaps in the controls.

David Romig, Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas, and Paul Bugala, George Washington University, noted that Section 4.9 of the EITI Standard specifies that auditing and reconciliation must either be performed by the independent administrator or the independent administrator must be convinced that the process is sufficiently robust. They suggested that the trustworthiness of the auditing processes undertaken by governments and companies will need to be demonstrated to the EITI Board for these to meet the EITI Standard.

Mr. Padilla suggested that USEITI also compare US auditing processes to emerging standards from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and other similar standards.

The MSG decided to move forward with the Reporting Improvement Workgroup's and Implementation Subcommittee's recommendation to forego independent reconciliation of revenues by the Independent Administrator for the 2017 USEITI Report.

- **Decisions: The MSG decided to forego independent reconciliation of revenues by the Independent Administrator for the 2017 USEITI Report to avoid duplication and increase efficiency.**

## **E. Independent Administrator's Updates**

Members of the Independent Administrator (IA) team from Deloitte provided updates on the reporting template for the 2017 USEITI Report and on the topics that could be included as visualizations in the 2017 report.

These updates and accompanying MSG discussions are summarized below.

### **1. Reporting Template for 2017 USEITI Report**

Alex Klepacz, Independent Administrator team member from Deloitte, presented a proposed reporting template for company revenue reporting for the 2017 USEITI Report. The proposed reporting template is available at:

[https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti\\_reporting\\_template\\_-\\_20170117\\_-\\_draft.xlsx](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti_reporting_template_-_20170117_-_draft.xlsx) and draft reporting guidelines are available at: [https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti\\_reporting\\_template\\_guidelines\\_-\\_20170117\\_-\\_draft\\_1.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/useiti_reporting_template_guidelines_-_20170117_-_draft_1.pdf). A draft template for declaring beneficial ownership information is available at: [https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/draft-model-beneficial-ownership-declaration-form\\_1.xlsx](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/draft-model-beneficial-ownership-declaration-form_1.xlsx).

Veronika Kohler, National Mining Association and Industry Sector Co-Chair, noted that the MSG has already approved a roadmap for disclosing information about beneficial ownership of publicly traded companies and inquired as to how this would be reported by companies. Mr. Gould suggested that the reporting template around beneficial ownership be included in the main reporting form even though it would only apply to publicly traded companies.

In response to a question from Mr. Matthews, Mr. Klepacz clarified that the reporting template would also ask companies to report payor codes, as they have in previous years of USEITI.

Mr. Padilla commented that the industry sector anticipates that there may be a high degree of variability in companies' approach to reporting for the 2017 report in terms of the degree to which companies aggregate or break out information and classify revenue streams. Some companies may provide very detailed information due to having compiled it for other reporting requirements, such as the EU directive.

The MSG approved the proposed reporting template for 2017.

➤ **Decisions: The MSG approved the proposed reporting template for 2017.**

## **2. 2017 Topics and Visualizations**

Luke Hawbaker, Independent Administrator team member from Deloitte, presented about possible additions that the MSG could choose to make to the contextual narrative portion of the 2017 USEITI Report. Mr. Hawbaker's slides are available at: [https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/2017\\_useiti\\_contextual\\_narrative\\_topics\\_msg\\_presentation\\_updated\\_1.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/2017_useiti_contextual_narrative_topics_msg_presentation_updated_1.pdf).

Responding to questions from MSG members, Ms. Wilson explained that USEITI has included three additional visualizations in its scope of work with the Independent Administrator for 2017. Based on the MSG's prior discussions, the Independent Administrator is anticipating that one visualization will focus on employment by commodity, a second on US audit and assurance procedures, and a third topic is to be determined by the MSG. These additional visualizations would be included in the report in 2017 and in future years. Ms. Kohler added that the Co-Chairs had proposed adding a "special highlight," either on forestry or on renewable energy, based on past MSG discussions.

MSG members discussed the criteria by which to make a decision about which topics and visualizations to add to the 2017 report. John Cassidy, IA team member from Deloitte, noted that the two criteria that the IA has been considering are: 1) increasing public engagement and interest in USEITI and 2) strengthening the case for USEITI validation with the International EITI Board. Ms. Kohler cautioned that the MSG does



not have a strong sense of what would interest the public since there has been limited public engagement with USEITI.

Following Mr. Hawbaker's presentation, the MSG discussed a variety of different options for additional content to include in the 2017 Report. The MSG's discussion is summarized below and organized by the different options considered with a final section focusing on the decisions made by the MSG to move forward.

**a)      *Employment by Commodity***

In response to requests by Mr. Hawbaker and Sarah Platts, Independent Administrator team member from Deloitte, to decide on whether to use data sets from the Bureau of Labor Statistics or from the US Census Bureau to present information about employment by commodity, Ms. Brian thanked Deloitte for their work and requested that CSO sector member Betsy Taylor be given more time to examine both data sets. Mr. Padilla requested that a note be included in the report indicating that the employment data only includes salaried and hourly employees not pass-through entities, sole proprietorships, and others.

The MSG opted to move forward with Mr. Gould's suggestion that the Implementation Committee consider and decide on which dataset to use to provide information for employment by commodity.

- **Approval: The MSG approved the motion to have the Implementation Committee decide on which dataset to use to provide information for employment by commodity.**

**b)      *Audit & Assurances***

Mr. Hawbaker provided an overview of existing content about the US audit and assurance process and of potential new content that could be added with the intention of strengthening USEITI's case for mainstreaming and foregoing independent reconciliation by the Independent Administrator. Mr. Bugala suggested that USEITI use an alternate term for "foregoing reconciliation," such as "not reconciling twice."

Ms. Brian raised the possibility of including the information that Mr. Kronebusch has developed about US audit and assurance processes in lieu of having the Independent Administrator create new content about this topic. Mr. Cassidy asked whether Mr. Kronebusch's material may be too complex for many members of the public to understand. In response, Ms. Brian suggested that information about audit and assurance procedures would likely be difficult for many members of the public to understand in any format.

Ms. Kohler suggested that including clear information about the US audit and assurance process in the USEITI report would also help to give the public more confidence in the audit process. Ms. Brian and Mr. Gould raised a concern that a visualization about the

audit and assurance process would not prove to be useful to the general public while also not providing the detailed information that well-informed parties would need to develop that additional confidence in the audit process.

Mr. Gould suggested that the USEITI Secretariat could put together information explaining US audit and assurance procedures for making the case to the EITI Board that USEITI does not need to reconcile revenues separately and redundantly through a Independent Administrator. Pursuing this path, the IA would not need to create additional content about this topic for the USEITI report nor a separate visualization from the one that was created last year.

**c) Additional Metals**

Keith Romig, United Steelworkers, suggested adding a “special highlight on additional metals” (such as silver, aluminum, lead, and zinc) because some MSG members are already knowledgeable about these commodities, in contrast to two other proposed “special highlights” – on forestry and on renewable energy. He also suggested that USEITI would likely need to expand its scope over time to include these additional metals, and possibly non-metal minerals.

Mr. Matthews suggested adding other commodities, such as trona, that are subject to federal royalty payments.

**d) The Life of a Lease**

Mr. Bugala suggested that additional information about the “life of a lease” be added to the contextual narrative, either in the form of a new visualization created by the Independent Administrator or by including material created by Mr. Kronebusch about federal leasing.

Ms. Wilson stated that the USEITI Secretariat and GSA 18F can try to include information about leasing in the 2017 Report but that this may be a challenge given limited time and resources. Mr. Bugala responded that if the Secretariat could make a good faith effort to include information about leasing in the 2017 Report then he does not need this topic to be considered for inclusion as an IA-produced visualization.

**e) Forestry**

Mr. Gould observed that USEITI has been discussing forestry for some time and has had challenges adding forestry representatives to the MSG. He suggested that adding a special highlight on forestry could provide information about forestry for relatively little effort while also stoking interest in including forestry in the scope of USEITI in a fuller way in the future.

**f) Renewable Energy**

Ms. Brian suggested that there exists much interest in the general public about renewable energy and the jobs being created in that industry, and so it may be beneficial to add a special highlight on renewable energy to the 2017 USEITI Report.

**g) The MSG's Decision-Making About Topics and Visualizations to Include**

Given the wide range of discussion and many topics under consideration for inclusion in the 2017 report, Ms. Kohler emphasized that rational criteria should be used to determine which topics would be included and that, if topics such as “additional metals” or the “life of a lease” are included, then the MSG would need to understand better what these topics would entail, as they have not been discussed much by the MSG in the past.

Mr. Bugala noted that having the Implementation Subcommittee consider issues of this nature before they come to the full MSG could streamline discussions during MSG meetings.

The MSG agreed to have the USEITI Secretariat work with GSA 18F to add material for the 2017 USEITI Report about the US audit and assurance procedures and for the USEITI Secretariat to make a “good faith effort” to include information about “the life of a lease” in the 2017 USEITI Report.

Mr. Cassidy suggested that the IA could further flesh out the contours of the following topics: additional metals, forestry, and renewable energy, and present these to the Implementation Subcommittee for decision-making.

- **Decision: The MSG decided to have the USEITI Secretariat work with GSA 18F to add material for the 2017 USEITI Report about US audit and assurance procedures and for the USEITI Secretariat to make a “good faith effort” to include information about “the life of a lease” in the 2017 USEITI Report.**
- **Approval: The MSG approved the motion to have the Implementation Committee decide on which two additional visualizations (between additional metals, forestry, and renewable energy) to include in the 2017 USEITI Report, along with a visualization about employment by commodity.**

**F. Project Level Reporting**

Mr. Kronebusch and Nathan Brannberg, DOI, presented information about project-level data disclosure and the process of requesting project-level data from the US Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR). They also presented about the types of data requested received by ONRR during FY2016. Additional information is available in Mr. Kronebusch's and Mr. Brannberg's presentation, available at: [https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/obtaining\\_project\\_level\\_info\\_from\\_onrr\\_final\\_1-30-17.pdf](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/obtaining_project_level_info_from_onrr_final_1-30-17.pdf).

In response to their presentation, an MSG member from the CSO sector pushed back on the assertion from Mr. Kronebusch and Mr. Brannberg that not many members of the public are interested in detailed data. She suggested, instead, that the public has lost

faith in the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) process and the difficulty in obtaining information.

#### **IV. Public Comments**

Public comments were accepted in written form for this MSG meeting, as described in the “Adjustment of Meeting Schedule and Agenda” section, on page 6 of this summary. Written public comments received are provided below.

***Nancy Harkins***

***West Chester, PA***

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The resource extraction transparency rule is critical to ensuring an informed and empowered electorate that is what President Trump has pledged to deliver. This cannot happen if we do not have this rule and we do not have a transparent government that does not marginalize individual voters in favor of the oil and gas industry.

If Trump is serious about giving power back to the people, then he must stop doing the bidding of the Chamber I oppose Republican efforts to undo critical rules protecting the environment and public welfare. In his inaugural address, Trump famously declared that alleged “American carnage stops right here and right now.” The resource extraction transparency rule would be of significant aid in stopping the all too real carnage taking place in countries afflicted by the resource curse, countries like Nigeria, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Afghanistan. It’s time that Trump gets serious about putting people – all people – first, and corporate special interests like the Chamber, API and Big Oil companies second.

Thank you for making my comment part of the record.

***Jennifer Krill, Earthworks***

Extractive Industries Transparency should mean what it says. Unfortunately, by supporting the elimination of section 1504 of the Dodd Frank Act, even as it is being discussed over in the House of Representatives today, it is clear the MSG does not universally share the value of using financial transparency to eliminate corruption and promote best practices.

API's lobbying in support of 1504's repeal is a clear violation of our Terms of Reference. I want to express support for the statement made by CSO co-chair this morning calling for the removal of API from USEITI, a view we would hold with regard to any MSG members who oppose Section 1504. Any member company of API that has not publicly broken with API's position on 1504 should also not be part of USEITI.

Finally, it is inappropriate and disappointing to cancel public comments and unhealthy to limit public debate at today's MSG meeting.

## **V. Wrap Up / Closing**

Mr. Patrick Field, facilitator from the Consensus Building Institute, reviewed the action items and the decisions coming out of the MSG meeting. Decisions will be recorded in an updated MSG Decision Matrix by the USEITI Secretariat.

Keith Romig asked to read out a statement on behalf of the CSO sector. The facilitator noted that the co-chairs had determined to move forward beyond the 1504 discussion the late morning. Mr. Romig read the note expressing disappointment about the MSG eliminating the verbal public comment period during the MSG meeting and also about the inappropriateness of the American Petroleum Institute's participation on the USEITI MSG. The text of Romig's comments are provided in Appendix B, available on page 20 of this meeting summary.

Following Mr. Romig's comments, Ms. Kohler stated that the public comment period was not eliminated and requested that the DFO adhere strictly to FACA protocols in the future. She suggested that the MSG had been too easy going in allowing people to speak on behalf of MSG members, allowing for interruptions, and the like, but that this approach was being abused by certain sectors. In response, the Acting DFO offered to review the MSG terms of reference and adhere to those.

Several members of the CSO sector raised their placards and requested to respond to Ms. Kohler's comments. The Acting DFO adjourned the meeting at this time.

## **VI. Meeting Participants**

The following is a list of attendees from the February 1, 2017 USEITI MSG meeting.

Chaired by Judy Wilson, Acting Designated Federal Officer, for the USEITI Advisory Committee, US Department of the Interior.

### **A. Participating Primary Committee Members**

#### Civil Society

Danielle Brian, Project on Government Oversight, USEITI MSG Advisory Committee Co-Chair

Paul Bugala, American University

Lynda Farrell, Pipeline Safety Coalition

Keith Romig Jr., United Steelworkers

Veronica Slajer, North Star Group

#### Government

Curtis Carlson, Department of the Treasury

Greg Gould, Department of the Interior, USEITI MSG Advisory Committee Co-Chair

Mike Matthews, State of Wyoming - Department of Audit/Mineral Audit Division

Mike Smith, Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission

Industry

Stella Alvarado, Anadarko Petroleum

Michael Blank, Peabody Energy

Susan Ginsberg, Independent Petroleum Association of America

Veronika Kohler, National Mining Association, USEITI MSG Advisory Committee Co-Chair

Johanna Nesseth, Chevron

**B. Committee Alternates in Attendance**

Civil Society

Daniel Dudis, Public Citizen

Zorka Milin, Global Witness

Government

Jim Steward, Department of the Interior

Industry

Aaron Padilla, American Petroleum Institute

David Romig, Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas

Nick Welch, Noble Energy Inc.

**C. Members of the Independent Administrator Team in Attendance**

John Cassidy, Deloitte

Luke Hawbaker, Deloitte

Alex Klepacz, Deloitte

Sarah Platts, Deloitte

**D. Government, MSG Members or Alternates via Phone, and Members of the Public in Attendance**

Rebecca Adamson, First Peoples Worldwide

Avery, Concerned Citizen

Joyce Aober, USGS

Sam Bartlett, EITI

Neil Brown, Lugar Center

David Chambers, Center for Science in Public Participation

Spencer King

Jennifer Krill, Earthworks

Mike LeVine, Oceana

Nicole Levine, Oceana

Laura Logan

Julie Maldonado, Livelihoods Knowledge Exchange Networks

Waseem Mardini, Publish What You Pay US

Aaron Mintzes, Earthworks

Sara Porter, Private Citizen



P. Rucker  
Rosalie Satta, University of CA Santa Barbara  
Mia Steinle, Project on Government Oversight  
Betsy Taylor, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
Catherine Traywick, Bloomberg News  
Micah Watson, Department of State  
Claire Ware, Eastern Shoshone & Northern Arapaho Tribes  
Joseph Williams, Metro Resource Governance Institute

#### **E. Facilitation Team**

Patrick Field, Consensus Building Institute  
Tushar Kansal, Consensus Building Institute

#### **F. DOI MSG Support Team**

Nathan Brannberg, Office of Natural Resources Revenue  
A. Evans, Office of Natural Resources Revenue  
Jerry Gidner, Office of Natural Resources Revenue  
Jennifer Goldblatt, Office of Natural Resources Revenue  
Robert Kronebusch, Office of Natural Resources Revenue  
Darrel Redford, Office of Natural Resources Revenue  
Judy Wilson, Office of Natural Resources Revenue

### **VII. Documents Distributed**

Agenda ([PDF](#))  
November MSG Meeting Summary ([PDF](#))  
Meeting Notes from January 11th Improving Reporting Workshop ([PDF](#))  
Draft Reporting Template ([XLS](#))  
Draft Reporting Guidelines ([PDF](#))  
Template EITI Beneficial Ownership Declaration Form ([XLS](#))  
Communications Plan ([PDF](#))

## VIII. Appendix A

Opening comments provided by Daniel Brian on behalf of the CSO sector:

*Today the House and possibly the Senate are preparing to vote on whether to disapprove the Cardin-Lugar 1504 rule. As all of you who have been working on USEITI know, we have been waiting for months, years, for that rule to be finalized so that we could move forward with our work. 1504 is the cornerstone of USEITI and civil society vociferously objects to its gutting.*

*During these past years we have been told repeatedly that industry will not voluntarily disclose more than what is required of them by law. To be fair, despite that, several companies have honored the spirit of EITI and have gone beyond what was already legally required and disclosed their tax payments even before 1504 was implemented. And we thanked those companies by name in the last report. And we have been punting on the basic EITI requirements of tax disclosure and project level reporting because we were told we had to wait for the rule before we could do more.*

*I now ask our government and industry colleagues to please join me in expressing our opposition to the misguided effort to disapprove the rule. If any of the companies who have already supported the disclosure of taxes and project level reporting are willing to make their voices heard now, before the House and Senate vote, we might be able to prevent the loss of this anti-corruption measure.*

*We in civil society believe that the lobbying effort by the American Petroleum Institute to kill the 1504 rule is particularly galling, in that in their fact sheets, API uses their participation in USEITI as evidence that they believe in transparency. In those same documents API claims the disclosures required by 1504- which are complementary to EITI standards - are anti-competitive- even though their competitors are held to the same standards through the EU and Canadian rules. In other words, they never intended to support disclosure of taxes by company or project level reporting of other revenue streams.*

*We know that Aaron has been working hard on USEITI and he is not personally responsible for the positions of his employer, but it is simply unacceptable for API to continue to benefit from the goodwill generated from their boasting of their participation in USEITI while at the same time actively working to directly undermine our success. As a result, civil society is formally requesting that the DFO remove API from the MSG.*

## IX. Appendix B

Comment made by Keith Romig:

*Just before I do [make a comment on behalf of the CSO sector] I'm going to make a statement on my own behalf as it's a shame that we ended up eliminating the verbal public comment period and the irony of that is that quite often when we open up the microphones for public comment there's a dead silence for ten minutes. This is one of the very few when we might've had fairly extensive public comment and it's a shame we didn't get to hear it. But that's just my statement, my personal statement. The formal statement follows.*

*Written statements are being submitted by CSOs and by this I mean, among others, members of this committee not able to be present including Neil Brown, Michael Levine, Betsy Taylor, Jennifer Krill and several others expressing concern, frustration and protest about the elimination of public comment at today's meeting. Many of CSOs are sending separate written messages expressing the inappropriateness of the American Petroleum Institute's participation in EITI while lobbying against 1504.*

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### Communications & Outreach Subcommittee (Veronika Kohler)

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### Agenda

1. Next steps action items – (Chris sent summary of last weeks call)
  - a. Media
  - b. Academics
2. Example toolkit – Treci - <https://www.census.gov/schools/>

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Hi All,

Below is the discussion around the action items for the group with regard to engaging academics and media

### MEDIA

- We need to spoon feed media the information so that they don't have to do a lot of research.

§ Higher success rate

§ We need send media advisory, letting them know that there is updated information and more stories like this one here's a link.

- ONRR Media Advisories

§ Know which media you're targeting, who is our media priority

§ Who does ONRR target when they send out a media Advisory? **(Treci)**

- This will help us create a list of media that we want to target; we

can build from this list.

§ Previously USEITI had been using the Department to issue high level press releases, what we're talking about is lower level press releases from ONRR about things like new data on the portal etc.

- The MSG may be able to compile a list of media sources that they tend to use for resource issues. **(MSG)**

- Media outlets that the government has encountered at open data meetings.

§ Judy mentioned Bloomberg has been around at various meetings but she'll research further. **(Judy)**

- If MSG members identify a conference where we could do outreach to media, send it to Treci so that justification can be written up.

## ACADEMICS

- Prioritize Academics

- Two years ago we started to develop a list of academic institutions, we need to polish up and recirculate that list **(USEITI Secretariat)**. We will more than likely need to give personal outreach to develop a personal relationship.

- If we could develop a good data bits on Federal Lands and waters these would be useful to Academics.

- We can sell that this data is maintained and updated throughout the year.

- The UDR is a terrific data disclosure that was probably under reported and could be view as a great resource for academics.

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This is the list I have for Academic Outreach. It has to be checked for accuracy for some of these contact names are 3 years old now.

On Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 9:15 AM, Mentasti, Chris <[chris.mentasti@onrr.gov](mailto:chris.mentasti@onrr.gov)> wrote:

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Re: Discussion on Action Items for Media and Academics  
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[Sample Toolkit for today's discussion:](https://www.census.gov/schools/)  
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On Mar 7, 2017, at 12:58 PM, Mentasti, Chris <[chris.mentasti@onrr.gov](mailto:chris.mentasti@onrr.gov)> wrote:

Hi All,

Attached is a draft updated Fact sheet for review.

Thanks!

Chris Mentasti

On Tue, Mar 7, 2017 at 12:56 PM, Betsy Taylor <(b) (6) @gmail.com>  
wrote:

Dear all,

Lynda can be on this meeting today. I regret that I'm unable to join but  
I will read the notes that Lynda takes.

best regards,

Betsy

On Tue, Mar 7, 2017 at 7:24 AM, Wilson, Judith  
<[judith.wilson@onrr.gov](mailto:judith.wilson@onrr.gov)>

wrote:

We will do it here at ONRR.

On Mon, Mar 6, 2017 at 5:29 PM, Betsy Taylor  
<(b) (6) @gmail.com>



wrote:

this list is ok. Is there someone who can double  
check the names, in

case there has been turnover?

On Mon, Mar 6, 2017 at 10:54 AM, Mentasti, Chris  
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[chris.mentasti@onrr.gov](mailto:chris.mentasti@onrr.gov)> wrote:

Hi All,

Attached is the list of academic  
institutions, it will need to be

checked for accuracy as some of the  
contact names are 3 years old now.

Thanks!

Chris Mentasti

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Thank you,

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**Time**

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**Betsy Taylor** (b) (6) @gmail.com>  
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Members have two options for completing and submitting the document 1) via email or 2) via an online link. To email the form, please reply by responding to the questions within the body of the email. To complete the form online, select the blue box "Fill Out In Google Forms" and respond to the questions on the Web page. Members should choose the option that is most convenient.

If members have difficulty completing the form or questions, please email ONRR's Public Affairs Specialist Treci Johnson at [treci.johnson@onrr.gov](mailto:treci.johnson@onrr.gov).  
Thank you,

MSG Communications and Outreach Subcommittee

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### MSG Outreach Tracking

In accordance with EITI REQUIREMENT 7 - Outcomes and Impact (7.1.e), the Communication and Outreach Subcommittee will utilize the form below to "ensure that outreach events, whether organized by government, civil society or companies, are undertaken to spread awareness of and facilitate dialogue about the EITI Report across the country."