

Legislative Work Group

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FY2027 Appropriations / President's Budget Request

EPA GHGRP Repeal / Treasury Safe Harbor Updates

Upcoming Coalition / Impact Work Products

Housekeeping

- **CCC 2027 Federal Policy Blueprint Work Group**
 - Sign-up to partake in the work group to shape the blueprint today!
 - Markets discussion: May 13
- **Class VI Work Group**
 - Expect to share the next draft of Class VI recommendations with the WG this week, with an eye to wrapping up recommendations by the end of Q2.



Housekeeping

- **CCS EACs Standards & Guidance**

- NorthBridge Group has an open comment period for its Standard and Guidance for CCS EACs between now and June 6.
- CCC is not responding directly, but GPI is helping organizations respond. If you have any questions, reach out to Sangeet.

- **CCI Invoices**

- Invoices were due March 31
- If you have any questions or have not yet paid your invoice, please reach out to Jessie.



Congressional / Political Update



Permitting Reform

Updates on Budget Reconciliation 2.0

FY27 Appropriations / President's Budget Request

Sec. Wright/Sec. Burgum testifying on Capitol Hill

FY27 Appropriations Updates

Carbon Capture Impact FY27 Appropriations Letter

- **Staff have shared annual Impact appropriations letter to Congress with work group members**
- Will send to Hill early next week
- Key points:
 - CCI appropriations requests
 - Strongly urge Congress to protect funding for critical CM programs under IJA
 - Aiming to send week of April 20

House & Senate Committee Markups

- Senate: markup in June (earliest)
- House Energy & Water Committee: May 15
 - Full Committee markup: May 20
- Interior: May 21
 - Full Committee markup: June 3

Budget Hearings

- Secretary Burgum:
 - House Appropriations Interior Subcommittee: Monday, April 20
 - Senate Appropriations Interior Subcommittee: Wednesday April 22
 - **Carbon Capture Impact:** submitting QFR on timing for CO2 storage regs for outer continental shelf
- Secretary Wright:
 - Senate Energy & Natural Resources: Tuesday, April 21
 - Back-and-forth on reprogramming CCUS funds to extending coal facilities (w/o use of CCS) between Sen. Heinrich and Wright.
 - Senate Energy & Water Appropriations: Wednesday, April 22
- Administrator Zeldin:
 - Scheduled to be on the Hill next Tuesday
 - **Carbon Capture Impact:** submitting additional QFRs on GHGRP.

Class VI Update

- Applicants sent letters this week to pre-construction permits by regional administrators on review timelines.
- Lines up with remarks from Shawn Waldron at CCI's Hill Day
- States an eventual goal of issuing draft permits within 1-year
- Will use a new "updated completeness tool" to evaluate all pending Class VI applications under the agency's new process.
- We will be requesting a briefing from Mr. Waldron.
 - Reach out with any questions you'd like us to raise.

DOE Project Review

- During testimony last week on the President's Budget, **Sec. Wright confirmed that DOE had finalized review of more than 2,220 projects.**
- Carbon Capture Coalition conducted a preliminary review of the reviewed projects:
 - 41 projects remain canceled across IIJA and base-funded programs.
 - 105 carbon management projects appeared on a leaked list on October 7:
 - 58 of these have been retained
 - 47 have not been retained/status unknown
- Carbon Capture Impact statement on CCI's website

Updates on EPA GHGRP / Treasury Safe Harbor

GHGRP Appropriations Angle:

- Partnering with Climate Leadership Council
- Exploring interest from Senate and House appropriators to maintain the program in bill or report language.
- Focused on getting a signal in appropriations that Congress supports the EPA's administration of the program.

- **Rep. Carol Miller / Veasey Letter to EPA on 45Q/GHGRP**
 - Staff are motivated to get a strong group of signatories and send by the end of the month
 - Additional Republican offices still needed
- **Follow-up from Treasury Meeting on Safe Harbor Guidance**
 - Coalition staff prepared a matrix showing the differences between Subpart RR vs ISO; sharing with Treasury staff
- **New ISO standard for geologic storage published a few weeks ago; needs adoption from ANSI**
 - Coalition Regulatory & Guidance Work Group will review