

Department of Energy Releases Open Government Plan

Washington, D.C. – The U.S. Department of Energy today released its Open Government Plan highlighting DOE initiatives to maintain and increase transparency, increase participation between the Department, its program offices, sites and the American public, and increase collaborative efforts between the Department and its stakeholders.

“We are strongly committed to making government work better for the American people,” said Secretary Chu. “Through transparency and openness, we will provide better service to the public, give citizens a better understanding of how the Department works, and create new opportunities for people to engage the Department on issues that matter to them.”

The plan highlights flagship initiatives spearheaded by DOE including the launch of Open Energy Information, a new open-source web platform that opens DOE resources and data to the public. The free, editable, and evolving wiki-platform will help to deploy clean energy technologies across the country and the world. OpenEI.org also will provide technical resources, including U.S. lab tools, which can be used by developing countries as they move toward clean energy deployment.

Additional initiatives include ScienceEducation.gov, an interagency website and networking tool for the Science Technology Education and Math (STEM) education community; and the Energy Information Administration’s (EIA) Education and Literacy Initiative. The EIA Initiative is comprised of Energy Explained, an encyclopedia of energy issues; Energy in Brief, an article series; and Energy Kids, an interactive website for students and teachers.

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