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U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EMPLOYEE
POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for meetings, speaking engagements, fact-finding trips or similar events in connection with official duties. You need not disclose government-funded or political travel on this form, or travel that is unrelated to official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report all privately-funded travel on the annual Financial Disclosure Statements of those persons required to file them. In accordance with clause 5 of House Rule 25, complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House of Representatives, B-106 Cannon House Office Building, within 15 days after travel is completed. The Clerk is to make these forms publicly available as soon as possible after they are received. Obtain the dollar amounts from the sponsor; if exact dollar amounts are unavailable, provide a good faith estimate.

Name of Employee (print or type): Michael P Taylor

Name of Accompanying Family Member (if any): _____

Relationship to Employee: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____

Date of Departure and Date of Return: Departure: 8/18/08, Return: 8/20/08

Dates at Personal Expense: _____

Itinerary (cities of departure – destination – return): Departure: Washington DC (DCA)

Destination: Grand Junction, CO, Return: Washington DC

Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): American Exploration and Production Council

Describe meetings and events attended (attach additional pages if necessary): See Attached

Attached to this form are EACH of the following (signify "yes" for each item by checking the corresponding box):

1. the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form completed by trip sponsor, including all attachments;
2. the Privately-Sponsored Travel Approval Form completed by the employee; *and*
3. the Committee on Standards' letter approving my participation on this trip.

I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the sponsor's agenda (signify "yes" by checking box):

If not, explain: _____

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TRAVEL EXPENSES:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses
For employee:	\$534.86	\$179.26	\$40.32
For accompanying family member:			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount)	Specific Nature of Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For employee:	\$4.66	snacks provided
For accompanying family member:		

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYEE: *[Handwritten Signature]*
 DATE: 9/22/08

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed above were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

NAME OF SUPERVISING MEMBER: Rep. Joe Barton
 SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISING MEMBER: *[Handwritten Signature: Joe Barton]*
 DATE: 9/23/08

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AXPC 2008 Policy Maker Field Trip

Monday, August 18

Guests arrived at Grand Junction Regional Airport and are met by AXPC representatives and transported to the Grand Vista Hotel in Grand Junction.

Tuesday, August 19

- 6:30 AM** **Continental Breakfast (Grand Vista Hotel)**
- 7:30 AM** **Vans Depart for Williams E&P field office in Parachute, Colorado.**
- 8:00 AM** **Arrive at Williams E&P Field Office**
- Discussion of Piceance Basin field history, production volumes, current operations, and tour specifics.
- 9:00 AM** **Williams E&P Field Office** – Receive safety briefing and hand out safety equipment and take a restroom break
- 09:15 AM** **Depart Field Office for Drill Location.**
- 09:45 AM** **Arrive at Drilling location** – Start tour with safety briefing by drilling rig representative and explanation of the drilling process and the new technology flex rig system
- 10:00 AM** **Drilling Rig Tour** including drilling mud system, rig floor, and control center by rig personnel, drill bits
- 11:00 AM** **Depart Drilling Rig**
- 11:15 AM** **Arrive at Hydraulic Fracturing Operation** and receive safety briefing, description of the frac process, and environmental safeguards by Frac company personnel
- 11:45 AM** **Tour Hydraulic Fracturing Operation** - Tour equipment, frac fluids mixers and raw materials and proppants, and control room including a frac simulation.
- 12:30 PM** **Depart Hydraulic Fracturing Operation** - Lunch at William's field office. Receive a briefing on how oil was formed in the Piceance Basin. Restroom break

- 01:15 PM** **Depart Williams field office for Tour of Roan Plateau drilling operation and production facility**
- 02:00 PM** **Arrive Roan Plateau Drilling/Production Site** – receive a safety briefing and a discussion of special environmental practices, reduced foot print, directional drilling and waste handling in a high altitude location.
- 2:45 PM** **Depart the Roan Plateau for the Natural Gas Processing Plant**
- 3:30 PM** **Arrive at Natural Gas Processing Plant and Compressor Station** – receive description of the plant process and safety briefing from plant manager including a discussion of contaminants that are removed from the gas stream, processes and equipment for doing so and disposition of the contaminants. Also an overview of the processes and equipment required to move natural gas into the interstate pipeline system, and eventual markets. Restroom break.
- 4:15 PM** **Depart Natural Gas Processing Plant**
- 4:30 PM** **Arrive Williams Field Office to drop off hard hats and pick up information packets**
- 4:40 PM** **Depart Field Office for Grand Vista Hotel**
- 5:10 PM** **Arrive at Grand Vista Hotel**
- 6:15 PM** **Depart Hotel for Dinner**
- 6:30 PM** **Concluding Dinner**
- Including Q&A about the field tour and/or follow-up information that participants may want.
- 8:00 PM** **Return to Hotel**

Wednesday, August 20

- 7:00 AM** **Breakfast** (Grand Vista Hotel)
- Vans Depart for Grand Junction Regional Airport as needed for various flights.**

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ARRIVALS:

United 6041 @ 3:57 pm - Bill Whitsitt

American 3615 @ 4:25 - Adam Vann

Frontier 3145 @ 6:55 pm

- 1) Michelle Altman
- 2) Marcus Brubaker
- 3) Mark Humphries
- 4) Brent Robinson
- 5) Lee Lilley
- 6) Dan Barron
- 7) Matthew Hite
- 8) Michael Taylor
- 9) John Marshall

United 5968 @ 6:58 pm - Shannon Fraser

United 7079 @ 8:59 pm - Patrick Creighton

DEPART:

United 7068 @ 7:59 am

- 1) Brent Robinson
- 2) Dan Barron
- 3) Matthew Hite
- 4) Bill Whitsitt
- 5) Patrick Creighton

United 6555 @ 9:51 am

- 1) Paul Hueper
- 2) Shannon Fraser

Frontier 3142 @ 10:00am

- 1) Michelle Altman
- 2) Marcus Brubaker
- 3) Lee Lilly
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- 5) John Marshall

American 3560 @ 12:50 pm - Adam Vann

Frontier 3144 @ 1:20 pm - Mark Humphries

5/20/2008

U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Standards of Official Conduct

PRIVATELY SPONSORED TRAVEL: TRAVELER FORM
For Members, Officers and Employees
(submit directly to the Committee)

This form should be completed by House Members, officers or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule XXV, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer or employee, together with the completed and signed Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form.

Members, officers and employees seeking approval for travel are urged to submit all forms to the Committee at least 30 days before travel is scheduled to begin. The failure to provide the Committee with adequate time to review the form and attachments may result in the invitee not receiving approval for the trip. A copy of this form will be made available for public inspection. Please type form. Form (and any attachments) may be faxed to the Committee at (202) 225-7392.

1. Name of Member, officer or employee (traveler): Michael P. Taylor
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): American Exploration and Production Council
3. Travel destination(s): Grand Junction, Colorado
4. a. Dates of travel: August 18-20, 2008
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? Yes No
If yes, dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Name of accompanying family member (if any): _____
b. Relationship to Member/Officer: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(c) on the Trip Sponsor form (i.e., the travel is being sponsored by an entity that employs a lobbyist)? Yes No
b. If yes, check one of the following:
(1) Approval for one-night's lodging and meals is being requested: or
(2) Approval for two-nights' lodging and meals is being requested:
If "(2)" is checked, explain why the second night is warranted: The field trip is a full day event
and would not allow for air travel to or from the location on the day of the trip
7. Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments (indicate that form is attached by checking box):

8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to your official or representational duties:

I am a legislative assistant for Resources.

9. I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Michael P Taylor

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For staff, name of employing Member/Committee: Rep Joe Barton

Office address: 2102 RHOB

Phone number: (202) 225-2002

Email address: michael-taylor@max.house.gov

NOTE: You must complete the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need contact you if additional information is required.

**FOR STAFF:
TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:**

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Joe Barton
Signature of Employing Member

Date: 7/18/08

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee:

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct
U.S. House of Representatives
HT-2, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515
(202) 225-7103 (phone)
(202) 225-7392 (fax)

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Committee on Standards of Official Conduct

PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM
(provide directly to each House invitee)

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COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers or employees under House Rule XXV, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee.

Private sponsors are urged to submit this form to each House invitee at least 30 days before travel is scheduled to begin. The failure to provide the Committee with adequate time to review the form and attachments may result in the invitee not receiving approval for the trip. The submission of an incomplete form will delay the review process. Before completing this form, sponsors are urged to carefully review the Committee's private travel guidelines and advisory memoranda detailing the rules and restrictions for private travel, as well as the instructions for completing this form. Sponsors should call the Committee with any questions prior to submitting the form. Please type form.

1. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): American Exploration & Production Council
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a federally-registered lobbyist or a registered foreign agent (signify "yes" by checking box):
3. I represent that the trip sponsor(s) has not accepted from any other source funds earmarked directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip (signify "yes" by checking box):
4. Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)? Yes No
5. Provide names and titles of ALL House invitees; for each invitee, provide explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary): See attached list. All invitees work on energy, environmental, or oil and gas access issues.
6. Dates of travel: Travel Dates August 18 and 20, 2008. Field Trip August 19, 2008
7. Cities of departure -- destination -- return: Washington, DC - Grand Junction, Colorado - Washington, DC
8. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities taking place during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities) (signify "yes" by checking box):
9. I represent that (check one of the following):
 - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: or
 - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a federally registered lobbyist or registered foreign agent: or
 - c. The trip is for attendance at a one-day event and lobbyist involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.
10. If travel is for participation in a one-day event (i.e., if you checked Question 9(c)), check one of the following:
 - a. One-night's lodging and meals are being offered: or
 - b. Two-nights' lodging and meals are being offered:
If "b" is checked, explain why the second night is warranted: The field trip is a full day event and would not allow for air travel to or from on the day of the trip.

11. If the trip is not sponsored by an institution of higher education, I represent that a federally-registered lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (*signify "yes" by checking box*):
12. Private sponsors must have a direct and immediate relationship to the purpose of the trip or location being visited. Describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip: AXPC is a 501 (C) (6) non-profit trade association. The AXPC represents the largest U.S. independent exploration and production companies. This trip provide a first hand view of exploration and production activities in one compact day.
13. Describe each sponsor's organizational interest in the purpose of the trip: The AXPC works constructively for sound energy, environmental and related public policy that encourages responsible exploration, development, and production of natural gas and crude oil to meet consumer needs.
14. Describe the type and class of the transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first-class transportation will be provided. In addition, for travel via aircraft, please indicate if travel is being offered on a commercial flight, chartered flight or on an aircraft operated or paid for by a carrier not licensed by the Federal Aviation Administration to operate for compensation or hire (*i.e.*, a private aircraft). If first-class fare is being provided, or if travel is via chartered or private aircraft, please provide an explanation describing why such travel is warranted: Air travel will be commerical coach class. Transportation to and from the airport and during the field trip will be by passenger van.
15. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). (*signify "yes" by checking box*):
16. I represent that either (*check one of the following*):
- The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees: *or*
 - The trip involves events that are arranged or organized *specifically with regard* to congressional participation:
If "b" is checked, detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided): \$46.00
17. Reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: The location provides an opportunity to view E&P activities in one compact trip. The field is the subject of significant federal mineral leasing discussions
18. Name of hotel or other lodging facility: Grand Vista Hotel, Grand Junction, Colorado
19. Cost per night of hotel or other lodging facility (approximate cost may be provided): \$81.00 plus applicable taxes
20. Reason(s) for selecting hotel or other lodging facility: Near commercial airport, the field trip and within government per diem rates

21. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

<input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$850.00	\$162.00 plus taxes	\$60.00
For each accompanying family member	NA	NA	NA

	Other Expenses (dollar amount)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$30	Van expenses, airport parking
For each accompanying family member	NA	

22. I represent that reimbursement for miscellaneous travel expenses for the trip, such as travel to and from airports, security costs, interpreter fees, visa application fees, and similar expenses, will be for actual costs incurred and are necessary for the purpose of the trip (signify "yes" by checking box):

23. I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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The Committee staff may contact the above individual above if additional information is required.

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee at the following address:

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 (202) 225-7103 (phone)
 (202) 225-7392 (general fax)
 (202) 226-7172 (fax for travel approvals)

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**Annual Exploration and Production
Policy Maker Field Trip**

Information and Instructions

Tuesday, August 19, 2008

Piceance Basin, Colorado

(Arrival in Grand Junction, Colorado, Monday, August 18; Departure Wednesday, August 20)

We're delighted that you'll be with us for what is certain to be an interesting and enjoyable visit to an important energy producing area. The instructions below should help you prepare for the trip. However, if you have any questions at anytime, please call any of the contacts listed below.

Clothing

All events are very casual. The dress code and clothing for the field day is noted.

The weather will probably be sunny and very warm during the day, so you may want to consider short sleeves, sunglasses and sun screen.

You will be provided with safety equipment (hard hats, safety glasses, steel toe caps to be worn over shoes.

Foot wear for safety reasons shall be sturdy, closed-toe boots or shoes. No open-toed shoes please.

Arrival Flights

All arrival flights on Monday, August 18, will be met at the airport for van transportation to the hotel. We will also be providing van transportation back to the airport on Wednesday.

AXPC company personnel will look for you in the airport baggage claim area. Just try to spot someone with an AXPC sign or ball cap.

You may also call one of the cell phones listed at the bottom of this note to confirm your arrival and location if necessary.

Special Note: We will have 3 vans and will have adequate time spacing on the van departure times to allow for various flight schedules.

Lodging

We will be at Grand Vista Hotel, in Grand Junction, Colorado. The telephone number is (800) 800-7796.

AXPC has a block of rooms reserved at below government rates. We will provide the hotel with the names of participants as they confirm attendance. Executive Branch participants and company personnel will have to provide credit card information for billing.

Meals

A hot breakfast, breakfast rolls, juice and coffee will be available at the hotel Tuesday and Wednesday morning. Lunch will be provided during our field tour.

By mid-to-late Tuesday afternoon, we will have completed our field tour and will return to the hotel by approximately 5:30 pm. The closing dinner is scheduled for 6:30 pm and will be at a local restaurant.

AXPC attempts to keep costs of meals reasonable and provides follow-up information for all ethics reporting and Executive Branch reimbursement calculations.

Questions

If you have questions at anytime before, during, or after the trip, do not hesitate to contact:

David Templet	Nina Hutton
Chair	Vice-Chair
AXPC EHS Committee	AXPC EHS Committee
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AXPC 2008 Policy Maker Trip Itinerary

Monday, August 18

Guests arrive at Grand Junction Regional Airport throughout afternoon on various commercial flights and are met by AXPC representatives for minivan transportation to the Grand Vista Hotel in Grand Junction.

Tuesday, August 19

- 6:30 AM** Continental Breakfast (Grand Vista Hotel)
- 7:30 AM** Vans Depart for Williams E&P field office in Parachute, Colorado.
- 8:00 AM** Arrive at Williams Field Office
- Discussion of Piceance Basin Field operations, tour specifics and safety briefing. Hand out safety equipment.
- 9:00 AM** Williams Field Office – Continue Briefing
- 09:15 AM** Drilling Operation Visit
- Including explanation of drilling process and tour new technology flex drilling rig.
- 10:00 AM** Drilling Operation Visit - continued
- 11:00 AM** Hydraulic Fracturing Operation or Simulation
- Including a description of process and equipment, frac fluids and proppants, and environmental safeguards.
- 12:00 AM** Hydraulic Fracturing Operation - continued
- 12:15 PM** Lunch – While in route to the next location
- 1:00 PM** In Route to Gas Processing Plant
- 1:30 PM** Natural Gas Processing and Compressor Station Facility
- Including a discussion of contaminants that are removed from the gas stream, processes and equipment for doing so and disposition of the contaminants. Also an overview of the processes and equipment required to move natural gas into the interstate pipeline system, and eventual markets.

- 2:00 PM** **Natural Gas Processing and Compressor Tour - continued**
- 2:30 PM** **Roan Plateau Drilling/Production Site**
Including discussion of special environmental practices, reduced foot print, directional drilling and waste handling in a high altitude location.
- 3:00 PM** **Drilling/Production Site - continued**
- 4:00 PM** **Drilling/Production Site - continued**
- 4:15 PM** **Depart for Grand Vista Hotel**
- 5:00 PM** **In Route to Hotel**
- 5:30 PM** **Arrive at Grand Vista Hotel**
- 6:15 PM** **Depart Hotel for Dinner**
- 6:30 PM** **Concluding Dinner**
Including Q&A about the field tour and/or follow-up information that participants may want.
- 8:00 PM** **Return to Hotel**

Wednesday, August 20

- 7:00 AM** **Breakfast (Grand Vista Hotel)**
Van Depart for Grand Junction Regional Airport as needed for various flights.



Annual Exploration and Production Policy Maker Field Trip

Tuesday, August 19, 2008

(Travel days: Monday and Wednesday, August 18 and 20)

The American Exploration & Production Council (AXPC), a national trade association representing 25 of the largest U.S. independent natural gas and oil exploration and production companies, will host its annual policymaker field trip this year to the Colorado Piceance Basin. We have been conducting this oil and gas field trip for over twelve years.

The focus of the trip will be exploration and production activities that include visiting the most technologically advanced drilling rig onshore today. These rigs are capable of drilling up to 24 wells from one location using directional drilling and simultaneous operations (SIMOPS). These rigs are able to drill wells while wireline trucks perforate casing, hydraulic fracturing operations prop open the formation, and gas is being sold all at the same location. This means a reduction of up to 75% for pads, roads and other facilities associated with producing gas. In fact, these drill rigs are not operated with roughnecks, they actually are called "softnecks." You will get to visit the driller's cabin (formerly known as doghouse) and see the softnecks in action.

In addition, wells are being hydraulically fractured from almost 4 miles from the centrally located "frac" pad. This leads to an overall reduction in truck trips to haul water and transport equipment in neighborhoods where operations are being done. You will visit a state-of-the-art gas processing plant capable of processing over 1 billion cubic feet of gas each day—enough to heat and light the whole state of Colorado.

The crown jewel of the trip will be a trip up to the Roan Plateau (weather and road conditions permitting) which is reached up a private 4-mile road and 3,200 foot tunnel constructed by The Williams Company. We will see first-hand how drilling operations are conducted in an environmentally responsible way at high altitude drilling locations.

The trip provides a compact no-frills opportunity to see and learn first-hand about oil and gas operations and environmental practices at each stage of the exploration and production process. The tour will visit both conventional and new technology "flex" drilling rig operations, production operations, gas processing and compression. We also hope to see a hydraulic fracture stimulation treatment. The Roan Plateau trip promises to be extremely interesting and educational.

The AXPC will pay for all travel and meal expenses directly related to participation in the field trip, unless participants or agencies prefer to be billed for those expenses. In either event, AXPC will provide cost information necessary to comply with any applicable reporting requirements.

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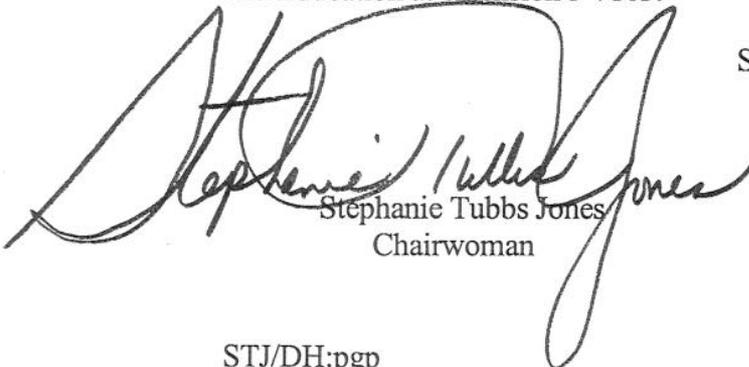
Dear Mr. Taylor:

Pursuant to House Rule XXV, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct hereby approves your proposed trip to Grand Junction, Colorado scheduled for August 18 to 20, 2008 sponsored by American Exploration and Production Council. We note that the sponsor retains or employs lobbyists; however the Committee is approving a second night's stay based on the distance of the location and availability of flights from Grand Junction. Keep in mind that you must limit your involvement in activities with the sponsor to a single calendar day per the submitted agenda. Because the activities will occur on Tuesday August 19, your flights should arrive Monday evening and depart Wednesday morning.

You must complete an Employee Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are required to attach a copy of this letter and the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form, including all attachments. You must also include a copy of the Traveler Form completed by you and signed by your employing Member. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$335 from a single source on Schedule VII of that statement.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,



Stephanie Tubbs Jones
Chairwoman



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