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CEP General Updates

Update

- **Legislative update**
- **Spent Nuclear Fuel R&D Programs**

David Victor, Chairman

Legislation

- House
 - HR 474 Interim Consolidated Storage Act of 2017, introduced in Jan 2017, cosponsored by CA Reps. Issa, Calvert, Peters, Matsui, Bera, Hunter, and Rohrabacher
 - April 2017 House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee Chairman Shimkus held hearing on draft used fuel legislation
 - Discussion draft authorizes Secretary to develop interim storage program
 - Legislation links decision on permanent storage to interim storage
- Senate
 - Expect Sens. Murkowski, Feinstein, Alexander and Cantwell to reintroduce consent-based siting legislation on spent nuclear fuel later this year
- Appropriations
 - The House and Senate passed legislation week of May 1 to fund government through September 30, 2017, which did not include funding for Yucca Mountain or CIS
- Administration
 - In March, Administration released “skinny budget”, with funding for Yucca Mountain and CIS; in addition to making programmatic changes across all federal agencies
 - Administration plans on releasing its longer budget on May 22, which we expect will continue to include these priorities

High Burnup Fuel R&D Program

- Department of Energy's Office of Nuclear Energy
 - High burnup fuel (HBF) demonstration project
 - In conjunction with Electric Power Research Institute
 - Fuel placed in cask and stored for ~10 years
 - Thereafter, cask opened and fuel examined
 - Seek to understand how HBF behaves in storage

- Interest in additional information?