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Full Committee Oversight Hearings to Examine Job Creation Opportunities From American Energy Production

WASHINGTON, D.C. – During September, the Natural Resources Committee will hold two Full Committee oversight hearings on harnessing American energy resources to create new American jobs. Both hearings will explore opportunities for job creation through new and expanded energy and mineral production and also review Obama Administration regulations and policies that have locked-up America's vast natural resources and sent American jobs overseas.

"American energy and mineral production, whether onshore, offshore or renewable, already employs millions of Americans and could support millions of additional jobs by simply harnessing the resources we have here at home," said Natural Resources Committee Chairman Doc Hastings (WA-04). "Yet during the first two years of the Obama Administration, American energy production has faced constant obstacles from unnecessary government regulations and red tape. The offshore energy industry has shed thousands of jobs and lost the potential to create millions, renewable energy jobs have seen little growth, and the mining industry is facing job-destroying proposed new rules. It's simply unacceptable for this Administration to put the brakes on the job creating potential of some of America's leading economic contributors."

"American's are desperate to get back to work and Republicans are determined to provide a favorable environment across all sectors of our economy for job creation. Energy and minerals are vital to our economy and increased production will be vital to getting our economy back on track."

WHAT: Full Committee Oversight Hearing On: "Creating American Jobs by Harnessing

Our Resources: U.S. Offshore and Renewable Energy Production."

Witnesses to be announced.

WHERE: 1324 Hearing Room, Longworth House Office Building

WHEN: Thursday, September 8, 2011

10:00 A.M.

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WHEN: Wednesday, September 14, 2011

10:00 A.M.

Visit the <u>Committee Hearings</u> webpage for testimony and additional information, once it is made available. The hearing is open to the public and a live video stream will be broadcast at http://naturalresources.house.gov/live.

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