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Are there any statutory restrictions to restarting the Yucca Mountain project?	Are there statutory restrictions related to reinvigorating the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management?	Is there a readily available list of any technologies or products that have emerged from DOE programs or the labs that are currently offered in the market without any subsidy?	Can you provide a list of all permitting authorities (and their authorizing statutes) currently held by DOE and their authorizing statutes?	Does or can the Department delineate research activities as either basic or applied research?	Which activities does the Department describe as commercialization programs or programs with the specific purpose of developing a technology for market deployment?	How many fusion programs, both public and private, are currently being funded worldwide?	What mechanisms exist to help the national laboratories commercialize their scientific and technological prowess?	Can you provide a copy of any Participation Agreement under Section 1221 of EPAct signed by the Department?	Can you provide a list of reports to Congress or other external parties that are due in 2017?	Can you provide a list of Department employees or contractors who attended any of the Conference of the Parties (under the UNFCCC) in the last five years?	Can you offer more information about the EV Everywhere Grand Challenge?
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Which programs within DOE are essential to meeting the goals of President Obama's Climate Action Plan? If DOE's topline budget in accounts other than the 050 account were required to be reduced 10% over the next four fiscal years (from the FY17 request and starting in FY18), does the Department have any recommendations as to where those reductions should be made? Does the Department have any thoughts on how to reduce the bureaucratic burden for exporting U.S. energy technology, including but not limited to commercial nuclear technology? Is the number of Assistant Secretaries set by statute? Does the statute establish the number as a minimum or a maximum, or is it silent on the question? Can you provide a list of outstanding M&O contracts yet to be awarded for all DOE facilities and their current status? Can you provide a list of non-M&O procurements/awards that are currently pending and their status? Can you provide a plan to resume the Yucca Mountain license proceedings? What secretarial determinations/records of decisions are pending? What secretarial determinations/records of decisions are pending? What should the incoming Administration do to balance risk, performance and ultimately MA	39	38	37	36	35	34	33	32	ů,	30	
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How best can DOE optimize its Advanced Reactor R&D activities to maximize their value proposition and work with investors to development and commercialize advanced reactors?	How do you recommend continuing to supporting the licensing of Small Modular Reactors?	What can DOE do to help prevent premature closure of plants?	DOE support existing reactors to continue operating as part of the nation's ??	Are there plans to add staff to EM? What are your staffing priorities?	With respect to EM, what program milestones will be reached in each of the next four years?	Describe your alternatives to the ever increasing WTP cost and schedule, whether technical or programmatic?	What is the greatest opportunity for reduction in life cycle cost/return on investment?	What is the right funding level for EM to make meaningful progress across the complex and meet milestone and regulatory requirements?	(excluding reinstating the UED&D fee on commercial nuclear industry or utilizing the USEC fund)?
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needed? How	Has EIA done analysis that shows that additional back-up generation is not needed? does EIA's analysis compare with other analyses on this issue?	56
ain back-up eneration when velized costs?	EIA's assessments of levelized costs for renewable technologies do not contain back-up costs for the fossil fuel technologies that are brought on-line to replace the generation when those technologies are down. Is this is a correct representation of the true levelized costs?	55
n should be in g laws and l of past	In the Annual Energy Outlook 2016, EIA assumed that the Clean Power Plan should be in the reference case despite the fact that the reference case is based on existing laws and regulations. Why did EIA make that assumption, which seems to be atypical of past forecasts?	54
In general,	EIA customarily has or had set dates for completions of studies and reports. In general, have those dates been adhered to?	53
ental requests. ears?	Part of EIA's charter is to do analyses based on Congressional and Departmental requests. Has EIA denied or not responded to any of these requests over the last ten years?	52
nce in your data dependence was	EIA is an independent agency in DOE. How has EIA ensured its independence in your data and analysis over the past 8 years? In what instances do you think EIA's independence was most challenged?	51
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Does EIA have cost comparisons of sources of electricity generation at the national level?	Is the EIA budget sufficient to ensure quality in data and analyses? If not, where does it fall short?	How many vacancies does EIA have in management and staff positions? What plans, if any, does EIA have to fill those positions before January 20?	We note that EIA added distributed solar estimations to your electricity data reports. Those numbers are not part of your supply/demand balance on a Btu basis. Why has that not been updated accordingly?	Where does EIA think most improvement is needed in its data and analyses?	How does EIA ensure quality in its data and analyses?	Can you describe the number of personnel hired into management positions at EIA from outside EIA and compare it to the number of personnel hired into management positions at EIA who were currently serving at EIA?	There are studies that show that your high resource and technology case for oil and gas represents the shale gas and oil renaissance far better than your reference case. Why has EIA not put those assumptions in your reference case?

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	Questions on labs
66	What independent evaluation panels does the lab have to assess the scientific value of its work? Who sits on these panels? How often do they hold sessions? Do they publish reports?
67	Can you provide a list of cooperative research and development grants (CRADAs) for the past five years? Please provide funding amounts, sources, and outcomes?
68	Can you provide a list of licensing agreements and royalty proceeds for the last five years?
69	Can you provide a list of the top twenty salaried employees of the lab, with total remuneration and the portion funded by DOE?
70	Can you provide a list of all peer-reviewed publications by lab staff for the past three years?
71	Can you provide a list of current professional society memberships of lab staff?
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73	Can you provide a list of all websites maintained by or contributed to by laboratory staff during work hours for the past three years?
74	Can you provide a list of all other positions currently held by lab staff, paid and unpaid, including faculties, boards, and consultancies?

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