

Coleman, Chief Information Officer, GSA; James Jones, Principal Deputy Administrator, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxics, EPA; and public witnesses.

#### **HOMELAND SECURITY SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH**

*Committee on Science and Technology:* Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation held a hearing on Developing Research Priorities at DHS's Science and Technology Directorate. Testimony was heard from Brad Buswell, Acting Under Secretary, Science and Technology Directorate, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

#### **ECONOMIC RECOVERY FUNDS OVERSIGHT**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management held a hearing on Recovery Tracking: Following the Dollars to the Jobs. Testimony was heard from John R. Fernandez, Assistant Secretary, Economic Development, Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce; Robert Peck, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, GSA; Bruce Kendall, Director, Office of Facilities Engineering and Operations, Smithsonian Institution and public witnesses.

#### **NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL REVIEW**

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to receive a briefing on National Security Council Review. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

#### **CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATIONS: INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT**

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, and the Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management held a joint hearing regarding the Congressional Notifications: Intelligence Community Policies, Practices, and Procedures. Testimony was heard from Robert Litt, General Counsel, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

### *Joint Meetings*

#### **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT**

*Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 2996, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010.

#### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2009**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### **Senate**

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine dark pools, flash orders, high frequency trading, and other market structure issues, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings to examine combating distracted driving, focusing on managing behavioral and technological risks, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine the role of natural gas in mitigating climate change, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine current and expected impacts of climate change on units of the National Park System, 2 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to continue hearings to examine S. 1733, to create clean energy jobs, promote energy independence, reduce global warming pollution, and transition to a clean energy economy, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* business meeting to consider S. 1649, to prevent the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, to prepare for attacks using weapons of mass destruction, S. 1862, to provide that certain Secret Service employees may elect to transition to coverage under the District of Columbia Police and Fire Fighter Retirement and Disability System, H.R. 553, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop a strategy to prevent the over-classification of homeland security and other information and to promote the sharing of unclassified homeland security and other information, S. 1755, to direct the Department of Homeland Security to undertake a study on emergency communications, H.R. 730, to strengthen efforts in the Department of Homeland Security to develop nuclear forensics capabilities to permit attribution of the source of nuclear material, S. 1825, to extend the authority for relocation expenses test programs for Federal employees, S. 1860, to permit each current member of the Board of Directors of the Office of Compliance to serve for 3 terms, H.R. 955, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10355 Northeast Valley Road in Rollingbay, Washington, as the "John 'Bud' Hawk Post Office", H.R. 1516, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 37926 Church Street in Dade City, Florida, as the "Sergeant Marcus Mathes Post Office", H.R. 1713, to name the South Central Agricultural Research Laboratory of the Department of Agriculture in Lane, Oklahoma, and the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 310 North Perry Street in Bennington, Oklahoma, in honor of former Congressman Wesley "Wes" Watkins, H.R. 2004, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4282 Beach Street in Akron, Michigan, as the "Akron Veterans Memorial Post Office", H.R. 2760, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service

located at 1615 North Wilcox Avenue in Los Angeles, California, as the “Johnny Grant Hollywood Post Office Building”, H.R. 2972, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 West Edward Street in Erath, Louisiana, as the “Conrad DeRouen, Jr. Post Office”, H.R. 3119, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 867 Stockton Street in San Francisco, California, as the “Lim Poon Lee Post Office”, H.R. 3386, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1165 2nd Avenue in Des Moines, Iowa, as the “Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans Memorial Post Office”, H.R. 3547, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 936 South 250 East in Provo, Utah, as the “Rex E. Lee Post Office Building”, H.R. 2215, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 140 Merriman Road in Garden City, Michigan, as the “John J. Shivnen Post Office Building”, and the nominations of Rafael Borrás, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Management for Homeland Security, David S. Ferriero, of North Carolina, to be Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration, and Susan Tsui Grundmann, of Virginia, and Anne Marie Wagner, of Virginia, both to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight, to hold hearings to examine new Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance to combat waste, inefficiency, and misuse in federal government contracting, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary*: to hold hearings to examine effective strategies for preventing health care fraud, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Special Committee on Aging*: to hold hearings to examine 401(k) target date funds, 2 p.m., SD-562.

### House

*Committee on Agriculture*, Subcommittee on Horticulture and Organic Agriculture, hearing to review the implementation of the Horticulture and Organic Agriculture Title of the Food, Conservation and Energy Act of 2008, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Financial Services*, to consider the following measures: H.R. 3890, To amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to enhance oversight of nationally recognized statistical rating organizations; and a Discussion Draft (revised) of October 16, 2009 of the Accountability and Transparency in Rating Agencies Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, to mark up H.R. 2194, Iran Refined Petroleum Sanctions Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing on A Regional Overview of the Middle East, 1 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, hearing on Legal Issues Relating to Football Head Injuries, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2213, To reauthorize the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act; H.R. 2888, Devils’ Staircase Wilderness Act of 2009; H.R. 2781, To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Molalla River in Oregon, as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; H.R. 86, To eliminate an unused lighthouse reservation, provide management consistency by bringing the rocks and small islands along the coast of Orange County, California, and meet the original Congressional intent of preserving Orange County’s rocks and small islands; and H.R. 118, To authorize the addition of 100 acres to Morristown National Historical Park, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, hearing entitled “Executive Compensation: How Much is Too Much?” 11 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, to consider H.R. 3854, Small Business Financing and Investment Act of 2009, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Small Business*, hearing entitled “The Recovery Act and Broad Evaluation of Broadband Investments on Small Businesses and Job Creation,” 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on NEXTGEN: A Review of the RTCA Mid-Term Implementation Task Force Report, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, to mark up the following: H.R. 1168, Veterans Retraining Act of 2009, and a draft bill the Veterans’ Small Business Assistance and Servicemembers Protection Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence, executive, briefing on Overhead Architecture, 4 p.m., 304 HVC.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: to hold hearings to examine advancing United States interests in the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) region, 2 p.m., SVC-212/210.