

U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Ethics

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EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

OFFICE OF THE CLERK
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual Financial Disclosure Statements of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, 135 Cannon House Office Building, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please do not file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: James Todd
2. a. Name of accompanying relative: _____ *or* None
 - b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: August 21, 2017 Return: August 22, 2017
 - b. Dates at personal expense (if any): _____ *or* None
4. Departure city: Washington, DC Destination: Denver, CO Return city: Washington, DC
5. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): Alliance to Save Energy
6. Describe meetings and events attended: Please see attached.

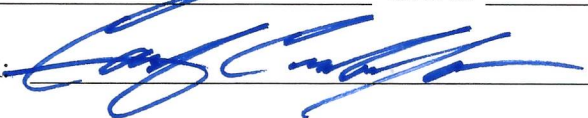
7. Attached to this form are EACH of the following (*signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*):
 - a. a completed Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form;
 - b. the Primary Trip Sponsor Form completed by the trip sponsor prior to the trip, including all attachments and Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms;
 - c. page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the employee; *and*
 - d. the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. (*Signify that statement is true by checking box*):
 - b. If not, explain: _____

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

SIGNATURE OF TRAVELER:  DATE: 9/5/2017

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure form 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. Carlos Curbelo DATE: 9/5/2017

SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISING MEMBER: 

**U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Ethics**

SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. *A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within 10 days of their return.* You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): Alliance to Save Energy

2. Travel Destination(s): Denver, CO

3. Date of Departure: August 21, 2017 Date of Return: August 22, 2017

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): James Todd

(NOTE: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if all information is identical for each person listed.)

5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in response to Question 4:

| | Total Transportation Expenses | Total Lodging Expenses | Total Meal Expenses | Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description) |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---|
| Traveler | \$414.20 | \$178 | \$33 | NA |
| Accompanying Relative | NA | NA | NA | NA |

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. (Signify statement is true by checking box):

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

Signature: 

Name: Kateri Callahan Title: President

Organization: Alliance to Save Energy

I am an officer of the above-named organization (signify statement is true by checking box):

Address: 1850 M Street, NW, Suite 610
Washington, DC 20036

Telephone number: (202) 530-2219

Email Address: kcallahan@ase.org

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

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at (202) 225-7103.

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TRAVELER FORM

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 25, 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 trip sponsor form(s) and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection. *Form (and any attachments) may be faxed to the Committee at (202) 225-7392, sent or delivered to the Committee at 1015 Longworth, or e-mailed to travel.requests@mail.house.gov.*

YOUR COMPLETED REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMITTEE NO LESS THAN 30 DAYS BEFORE YOUR PROPOSED DEPARTURE DATE. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.

Name of Traveler: James Todd

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

Signature: 

Name of signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For staff, name of employing Member or committee: Rep. Carlos Curbelo

Office address: 1404 Longworth

Telephone number: 52778

Email address of contact person: james.todd@mail.house.gov

- Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, and these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

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

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM. Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

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

Committee on Ethics
1015 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515
(202) 225-7103 (phone)
(202) 225-7392 (fax)
Travel email: travel.requests@mail.house.gov

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: James todd
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): Alliance to Save Energy
3. Travel destination(s): Denver, CO
4. a. Date of departure August 21, 2017 Date of return: August 22, 2017
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? Yes No
If yes, dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a relative at the sponsor's expense? Yes No
b. If yes:
(1) Name of accompanying relative: _____
(2) Relationship to traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
(3) Accompanying relative is at least 18 years of age: Yes No
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(d) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (*i.e.*, travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent and you are requesting lodging for two nights)? Yes No
b. If yes, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:

7. Primary Trip Sponsor Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms: Yes No
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.
I am a Staff Assistant in Mr. Curbelo's office, assisting the Legislative Staff on Trade and Tax matters, including Energy policy.
9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, and/or arranging the trip? Yes No

10. **FOR STAFF TRAVELERS:**

TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

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.

Date: 7-18-2017



Signature of Employing Member

**U.S. House of Representatives
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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

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 25, 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 together with a Traveler Form at least 30 days before the start date of the trip. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee Web site (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Sponsor (who will be paying for the trip): _____
Alliance to Save Energy
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent (*signify that the statement is true by checking box*):
3. *Check only one:* I represent that:
 - a. the primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip *or*
 - b. the trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds *or*.
 - c. the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.
If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____
4. Provide names and titles of ALL House Members and employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary):
Please see attached.
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying relative of the House invitee(s)? Yes No
6. Date of departure: August 21, 2017 Date of return: August 22, 2017
7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC
b. Destination(s): Denver, CO
c. City of return: Washington, DC
8. 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 registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: *or*
 - c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist/foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.
9. Check one of the following:
 - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above:
 - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging:
 - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night: *or*
 - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights:
If "d" is checked, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted: _____

10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities the House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees) (indicate agenda is attached by checking box):

11. Check one:

- a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (signify that the statement is true by checking box): **or**
- b. N/A – trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.

12. For **each** sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor’s interest in the subject matter of the trip **and** its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

Please see attached.

13. Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary.

- a. Mode of travel: Air Rail Bus Car Other (Specify: Taxi/Metro)
- b. Class of travel: Coach Business First Charter Other (Specify: _____)
- c. If travel will be first class or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

14. 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 that the statement is true by checking box):

15. I represent that either (check one of the following):

- a. 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**
- b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation:

If “b” is checked:

1) Detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided): _____
Total cost of meals will be within the per diem limit identified by GSA (\$69).

2) Provide reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____
Please see attached.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel name: Renaissance Denver Downtown Hotel City: Denver Cost per night: \$178

Reason(s) for selecting: Meets government rate and is centrally located.

Hotel name: _____ City: _____ Cost per night: _____

Reason(s) for selecting: _____

Hotel name: _____ City: _____ Cost per night: _____

Reason(s) for selecting: _____

17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. (signify that the statement is true by checking box):

18. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

| <input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates | Total <i>Transportation</i> Expenses per Participant | Total <i>Lodging</i> Expenses per Participant | Total <i>Meal</i> Expenses per Participant |
|---|--|---|--|
| For each Member, Officer, or employee | \$450 | \$178 | \$120.75 |
| For each accompanying relative | NA | NA | NA |

| | <i>Other</i> Expenses (dollar amount per item) | Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.) |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| For each Member, Officer, or employee | NA | NA |
| For each accompanying relative | NA | NA |

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19. Check one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below. *or*
 b. N/A – sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.

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

Signature: 

Name: Kateri Callahan

Title: President

Organization: Alliance to Save Energy

Address: 1850 M Street, NW, Suite 610, Washington, DC 20036

Telephone number: (202) 857-0666

Email address: kcallahan@ase.org

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

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 U.S. House of Representatives
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 Washington, DC 20515
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 (202) 225-7392 (general fax)

For questions, please contact Reed Brown at
 rbrown@ase.org or (202) 530-2241.

Susan W. Brooks, Indiana
Chairwoman
Theodore E. Deutch, Florida
Ranking Member



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Mr. James Todd
Office of the Honorable Carlos Curbelo
1404 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Todd:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Denver, Colorado, scheduled for August 20 to 22, 2017, sponsored by the Alliance to Save Energy. We remind you that, because the trip sponsor employs a federal lobbyist, you may participate in officially-connected activity on one calendar day.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$390 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

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

Sincerely,

Susan W. Brooks
Chairwoman

Theodore E. Deutch
Ranking Member

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| Monday, August 21 | |
| 7:30 PM | Depart Dulles International Airport for Denver Southwest Flight 114* *Likely options, tickets not yet booked |
| 10:30 PM | Arrive at Denver International Airport Cab to Renaissance Denver Downtown City Center Hotel 918 17th St, Denver, CO 80202 |
| Tuesday, August 22 | |
| 9:00 AM | Breakfast at Hotel |
| 9:15 AM | Depart Hotel for Xcel Energy *Cab |
| 9:30 AM | Arrive at Xcel Energy Trading Floor for Meetings and Tour 1800 Larimer St, Denver, CO 80202 <i>Frank Pager, Vice President, Policy & Federal Affairs, Xcel Energy</i> Xcel Energy doesn't just generate power. Colorado's largest utility also buys and sells electricity, and in the past 12 years has, by the company's estimate, made almost \$245 million doing so. From the 10th-floor trading desks at its Colorado headquarters in downtown Denver, Xcel trades in power, as well as renewable-energy credits, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Using computer models, 15 traders figure out how much electricity customers are going to use the next day, where they can get it most cheaply — and, if they can, make a dollar selling some into the market. This tour will teach attendees about the process and about the broad portfolio of energy efficiency offerings the company provides so all customers have an opportunity to participate, from rebate programs to energy audits to recycling services. |
| 12:00 PM | Depart Xcel Energy for Johns Manville Technical Innovation Center *Charter Bus |
| 12:30 PM | Arrive at Johns Manville Technical Innovation Center for Tour & Lunch 10100 W Ute Ave. Littleton, CO 80127 <i>Tim Swales, Vice President, R&D and Chief Sustainability Officer, Johns Manville</i> JMTC is a state-of-the-art research and development facility for building materials located southwest of Denver. The 325,000 sq. ft. one-of-a-kind facility focuses on products to improve energy efficiency and green building materials. The information provided during the tour will focus on presenting research and creating an understanding of the need for outreach associated with retrofitting U.S. homes. These world-class environments help JM scientists do a variety of activities including understanding the components of glass and the role of recycled bottle glass, understanding how foams are made and learning about flame spread and smoke development. |
| 2:30 PM | Depart Johns Manville for Peña Station at Panasonic Energy Solutions *Charter Bus |
| 3:00 PM | Arrive at Peña Station for Meetings/Tour Peña Boulevard, Denver, CO 80220 <i>Mark Sharp, Group Manager, Panasonic</i> Peña Station Next has been envisioned as one of the country's most progressive communities. The development will not only produce its own energy but also store that energy to move toward a completely redundant power grid. Inspired by the Panasonic Smart City development in Fujisawa, Japan, Peña Station Next will maximize energy |

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| | <p>efficiency and access to efficient transportation along with their Panasonic and DEN partners. The community's many alternative transportation methods will make it possible for residents to live and work without a car. The tour will showcase the facility's \$10 million renewable energy micro-grid, complete with battery backup, energy tracking mechanisms and more.</p> |
| 4:30 PM | <p>Depart Pena Station for Denver Airport <i>*Light rail</i></p> |
| 5:00 PM | <p>Arrive at Denver Airport – Dinner at Airport</p> |
| 6:50 PM | <p>Depart Denver Airport for Dulles International Airport Southwest Flight 5820* <i>*Tickets not yet booked</i></p> |
| 11:05 PM | <p>Arrive in Washington, D.C. – Conclusion of Trip</p> |

Addendum to Primary Trip Sponsor Form

4.

The following staff members have been invited to participate on this trip.

John Marshall, Senior Policy Adviser, Office of Congressman Bobby Rush

- Congressman Rush has a demonstrated history of interest and involvement towards energy efficiency. Additionally, he is also the Ranking Member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee's Subcommittee on Energy, which has jurisdictional authority over areas specifically tied to energy efficiency. For these reasons, John Marshall, as the staff member in charge of energy issues for Congressman Rush, was chosen to participate on this trip.

Dennis Sills, Legislative Director, Office of Congressman G.K. Butterfield

- Congressman Butterfield has long been a supporter of energy efficiency policy. He is a member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, as well as the Subcommittee on Energy, which has jurisdictional authority over areas specifically tied to energy efficiency. He is also an active participant in the Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Caucus. For these reasons, Dennis Sills, the staff member in charge of energy issues for Congressman Butterfield, was chosen to participate on this trip.

~~Lavell Brown, Senior Legislative Assistant, Office of Congressman Danny Davis~~

- ~~• Congressman Davis has been a supporter of energy efficiency and clean energy legislation during his time in Congress. Additionally, as a member of the House Ways and Means Committee, which has jurisdiction over tax issues, he is involved in the consideration of important energy efficiency tax policies. As such, Lavell Brown, the Congressman's staff member in charge of housing and urban development and small business, was chosen to participate on this trip.~~

~~Erin Dykstra, Legislative Staff, Office of Congressman Matt Cartwright~~

- ~~• Congressman Cartwright has been one of the true energy efficiency leaders during his time in Congress. When it comes to energy efficiency legislation in the House, it is likely that Congressman Cartwright is either a sponsor or cosponsor of the bill, which really shows how active he is on the issue. He is also a member of the House Appropriations Committee, which has jurisdictional authority over funding for federal energy efficiency programs at the Department of Energy and across the federal government. For these reasons, Erin Dykstra from Congressman Cartwright's office was chosen to participate on this trip.~~

James Todd, Staff Assistant, Office of Congressman Carlos Curbelo

- Congressman Curbelo serves on the House Ways and Means Committee, which has jurisdictional authority over energy-related tax issues, which are incredibly important to energy efficiency. Congressman Curbelo is also very active on clean energy issues and

has been engaged on developing progressive policies. For these reasons, James Todd from Congressman Curbelo's office was chosen to participate on this trip.

12.

The subject matter of the trip is directly connected to the mission of the organization. The Alliance to Save Energy promotes energy efficiency worldwide to achieve a healthier economy, a cleaner environment and energy security. To achieve this mission, the Alliance:

- Leads worldwide energy efficiency initiatives in policy advocacy, research, education, technology deployment and communications that impact all sectors of the economy.
- Provides vision and activism which includes active and engaged members of Congress, leaders from business, the public interest sector and academia.
- Initiates and participates in public-private partnerships, collaborate efforts and strategic alliances to optimize resources and expand its sphere of influence.
- Executes its mission through a team of recognized energy efficiency experts and professionals.

The purpose of this trip is to learn about policies and best practices that are helping to drive advances in energy productivity across the country. Our hope is that through visits to sites identified on the itinerary and through meetings with local and state officials that the Congressional staff members will be able to learn about state and business activities and, in turn, use that new knowledge to develop, refine and advance policies at the federal level.

The Alliance, as the sole sponsor of this trip, organized the trip in its entirety. Additionally, members of the Alliance will accompany all participants throughout the duration of the trip.

15.

b) 2) There are several reasons why we have chosen Denver, CO as the destination for this one-day trip.

- The American Council for an Energy-Efficiency Economy (ACEEE) produces the annual State Energy Efficiency Scorecard, which ranks states based on energy efficiency policies and practices. Colorado has consistently been one of the best performers, and ranked #14 in 2016. The state offers several financial incentives encourage energy efficiency, including Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) financing, and leads by example by requiring public buildings to meet certain minimum efficiency standards. Colorado also has active utilities that offer energy efficiency programs and the state has an energy efficiency resource standard in place to encourage further advances. In addition to the state ranking, ACEEE also ranks a selection of major cities on the same criteria and Denver was ranked #9 in 2017. Therefore, Denver is an excellent option for such a trip because we can incorporate strong local level actions along with the broader state-level actions.
- The Alliance to Save Energy is also hosting a public briefing at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory on August 21, which will be included as part of the agenda. The briefing is entitled, "Policy Perspectives – Cities of the Future: What Trends are Driving Urban Efficiency and Resilience in Denver," and will feature speakers from state and

local government, regional organizations and local business leaders. A full agenda for the event is included below.

- The Greater Denver area boasts a wide range of field examples and opportunities to learn about energy efficiency, including:
 - The National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL)
 - NREL is part of the national lab network and is specifically focused on the development and study of energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies. The lab has four main mission areas: Sustainable Transportation, Energy Productivity, Renewable Electricity and Systems Integration. In addition, NREL also has 13 research and development programs with several that are directly related to energy efficiency: buildings, Federal Energy Management Program, transportation, weatherization and intergovernmental programs and Department of Defense energy programs.
 - MillerCoors Brewery
 - Breweries represent an important part of energy efficiency, which is known as the energy-water nexus. In this context, it takes a significant amount of energy to treat and move water, which is why a visit to MillerCoors, the largest brewery by volume in the United States, is especially relevant. The company has a strong sustainability program and has been able to reduce its energy consumption by 50 percent and its water consumption by 25 percent since 2010.
 - Johns Manville
 - Johns Manville is a building materials company that develops and produces materials to make diverse environments stronger, more durable, and more energy efficient and comfortable. We manufacture premium-quality building and mechanical insulation, commercial roofing, glass fibers and nonwoven materials for commercial, industrial and residential applications. JM products are used in a wide variety of industries including building products, aerospace, automotive and transportation, filtration, commercial interiors, waterproofing and wind energy. Johns Manville also has its Innovation Center in Colorado where most of the research and development and quality assurance testing is conducted.
 - Xcel Energy
 - Colorado is served by a broad collection of utility companies with Xcel Energy serving as one of the largest and the one that serves the greater Denver area. Recognizing the importance of energy efficiency, Xcel Energy offers a selection of programs to help businesses and homeowners become more energy-efficient.
 - Panasonic Corporation
 - Panasonic is one of the largest product manufacturers in the world, comprised of 473 companies and employing over 260,000 people. It is also advancing the concept of “Smart Cities” through its CityNow initiative. A recent partnership with the City of Denver and Xcel Energy has led to the development of a smart city just outside of downtown

Denver at Pena Station, which incorporates technologies that enable smart energy, smart buildings, smart streets, and smart transportation.