



U.S. House of Representatives

# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

## EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM Original Amendment

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, by email at [gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov](mailto:gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov), 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: Austin Flack
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: \_\_\_\_\_ **OR** None   
 b. Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
3. a. Dates: Departure: 10/25/2022 Return: 10/26/2022  
 b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: \_\_\_\_\_ **OR** None
4. Departure City: Washington, D.C. Destination: Knoxville, TN Return City: Washington, D.C.
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Foundation for Nuclear Studies
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended:  
 We recieved guided tours of nuclear facilities at Oak Ridge National Lab, Ultra Safe Nuclear's Triso fuel facility, and TVA's Watts Bar Nuclear Power Plant. Additionally, we recieved lunch briefings on the national lab system and TVA's nuclear facilities, and a working dinner with Paul Doucette, Battelle (replacement for planned speaker).
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** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
  - 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 statement is true by checking the 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: 11/01/2022

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. Frank Pallone, Jr. Date: November 9, 2022

Signature of Supervising Member: 



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## SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

Original  Amendment

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 ten 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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- Sponsor(s) who paid for the trip: Foundation for Nuclear Studies
- Travel Destination(s): Oakridge National Lab and Watts Bar Nuclear Plant, Noxville, TN
- Date of Departure: October 25, 2022 Date of Return: October 26, 2022
- Name(s) of Traveler(s): Alexa Bishopric, Abbey Engelman, Ashley Lund, Chris Avila, Austin Flack, John Lee, Chris Ploch  
*Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if all information is identical for each person listed.*
- Actual amount of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$549.12	\$89	\$103.06	
Accompanying Family Member				

- 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: LeeAnn Petersen Digitally signed by LeeAnn Petersen Date: 2022.11.01 14:39:34 -04'00' Date: 11/11/2022

Name: LeeAnn Petersen Title: Executive Director

Organization: Foundation for Nuclear Studies

**I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.**

Address: 1323 K Street, SE #202, Washington, DC 20003

Email: leeann@foundationfornuclearstudies.org Telephone: 202-744-6077

**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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## 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 website ([ethics.house.gov](http://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:  
Foundation for Nuclear Studies
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):  
  
See excel sheet provided
5. Yes  No  Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?
6. Date of departure: October 25, 2022 Date of return: October 26, 2022
7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC  
b. Destination(s): Knoxville, TN  
c. City of return: Washington, DC
8. **Check only one.** I represent that:
  - 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 only one of the following:**
  - a.  I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
  - b.  I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
  - 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 you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:



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### 18. Total Expenses for each Participant:

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates			
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$408	\$97	\$112
For each Accompanying Family Member			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee		Transportation to and from airport, dinner, LAB
For each Accompanying Family Member		

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

### 19. Check only one:

- a.  I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
- b.  *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

### 20. I certify by my signature that

- a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
- b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and
- c. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: LeeAnn Petersen Digitally signed by LeeAnn Petersen Date: 2022.07.20 08:27:38 -06'00' Date: 09/14/2022

Name: LeeAnn Petersen Title: Executive Director

Organization: Foundation for Nuclear Science

Address: 1323 K Street, SE #202, Washington, DC 20003

Email: leeann@foundationfornuclearstudies.org Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

## INSTRUCTIONS

Complete the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* and submit the agenda, invitation list, any attachments, and any *Additional Trip Sponsor Forms* directly to the Travelers.

Written approval from the Committee on Ethics is required before traveling on this trip. The Committee on Ethics will notify the House invitees directly and will not notify the trip sponsors.

**Willful or knowing misrepresentation on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution under 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.**

For questions, please contact the Committee on Ethics at:

1015 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

[ethicscommittee@mail.house.gov](mailto:ethicscommittee@mail.house.gov) | 202-225-7103  
More information and forms available at [ethics.house.gov](http://ethics.house.gov)

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**FOUNDATION FOR NUCLEAR STUDIES STAFF TRIP TO  
OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LABORATORY AND WATTS BAR POWER PLANT  
October 25 & 26, 2022**

**Tuesday, October 25, 2022**

**7:45 AM EST Meet at the airport near the American Airlines check-in area. You will need to check-in upon your arrival at one of the kiosks or counters. You will need a government issued ID.**

8:41 AM EST Flight Departs from DCA (American Airlines Flight: 5412)

10:31 AM EST Flight Arrives at TYS

10:45 AM EST Depart for Oak Ridge National Laboratory's Main Campus

11:15 AM EST ORNL Welcome (Building 8600 & 8700) with Linsey Twardy, Protocol Officer

11:30 AM EST En Route to Historic Graphite Reactor (Building 3001)

11:45 AM EST Tour the Historic Graphite Reactor (Building 3001)

12:15 PM EST En Route via summit and Frontier supercomputers

12:30 AM EST Tour the Consortium for the Advanced Simulation of Light Water Reactors (CASL)

(Building 5600 VOCC)

1:00 PM EST En route

1:15 PM EST Working Lunch Time: ORNL Advanced Reactor Technologies

1:45 PM EST En Route

2:00 PM EST Tour the Spallation Neutron Source (SNS) (Buildings 8600 & 8700)

2:30 PM EST En Route

2:45 PM EST Tour the High Flux Isotope Reactor (HFIR) and Radiochemical Engineering Development Center (REDC) (Buildings 7900, 7970 & 7972) with Alan Icenhour, Associate Laboratory Director for the Nuclear Science and Engineering Directorate (NSED)

4:00 PM EST En Route to ORNL Hardin Valley Campus

4:30 PM EST Tour the Manufacturing Demonstration Facility (MDF)

5:00 PM EST Tour National Transportation Research Center



5:30 PM EST Tour Grid Research Integration and Deployment Center (GRID C)

6:00 PM EST Depart for Baymont by Wyndham, 209 Market Pl Blvd, Knoxville, TN 37922

6:30 PM EST Arrive and Check into Baymont Hotel (+ Staffer Hotel Time)

**7:15 PM EST Meet in hotel lobby to travel to Copper Cellar (7316 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN)**

7:30 PM EST Working Dinner Time: TVA's New Nuclear Program Discussion with Tim Rausch, EVP and Chief Nuclear Officer, Tennessee Valley Authority Manager of SMR Technology

9:00 PM EST Depart for Baymont Hotel | End of Day

### **Wednesday, October 26, 2022**

7:30 AM EST Breakfast Window (Baymont Hotel) (+ Staffer Time)

**7:50 AM EST Meet in the hotel lobby to check out and board the bus.**

8:00 AM EST Travel to Watts Bar Nuclear Plant Training Center

9:00 AM EST Security Processing and Badging

9:15 AM EST Welcome to WBN (Training Center Classroom 19)

- Tony Williams, WBN Site Vice President
- Beth Jenkins, WBN Plant Manager

9:25 AM EST WBN Overview: Key Operations/maintenance team members

9:50 AM EST Break

10:00 AM EST Walk to plant and process through Access Portal

10:15 AM EST Plant tour begins in Outage Control Center

- Secure PPE in Issues Resolution Center and break into tour groups
- Walk past Maintenance shops
- Turbine Building Level 729'- Unit 1 generating equipment and Unit 1/Unit 2 dividing line
- Turbine Building Deck (Walk Unit 1/Unit 2 Turbines/Generators, balcony to see switchyard and cooling towers)
- Exit U2 side of Turbine Building (conditions permitting) and discuss: Multipurpose Building, MODS building, EQB building, Reactor Buildings,
- Tritium Consolidation Building, Spent Fuel Storage Pad, and FLEX Building
- Return to IRC



11:30 AM EST Drop off PPE, exit plant, return to Training Center Classroom 19

11:45 PM EST Lunch, Q/A with WBN leaders, Watts Bar North American Young Generation in Nuclear group

12:45 PM EST Break, prepare for departure

1:00 PM EST Depart from site and travel to TYS

2:15 PM EST Arrive at TYS

4:15 PM EST Flight Departs from TYS

6:15 PM EST Flight Arrives at DC





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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. **This form and any attachments may be delivered to the Committee at 1015 Longworth or e-mailed to [travel.requests@mail.house.gov](mailto: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: Austin Flack

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

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

Signature: Austin Flack

Digitally signed by Austin Flack  
Date: 2022.09.20 10:22:53 -04'00'

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COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): \_\_\_\_\_

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): House Committee on Energy and Commerce, Majority

Office Address: 2125 Rayburn H.O.B., Washington, D.C. 20515

Telephone Number: 202-225-2927

Email Address of Contact Person: austin.flack@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 on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or via e-mail: [travel.requests@mail.house.gov](mailto:travel.requests@mail.house.gov).



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# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

## TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Austin Flack

2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip:  
Foundation for Nuclear Studies

3. City and State OR Foreign Country of Travel: Knoxville, TN

4. a. Date of Departure: October 25, 2022 Date of Return: October 26, 2022

b. Yes  No  Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?

If yes, list dates at personal expense: \_\_\_\_\_

5. a. Yes  No  Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? If yes:

(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

(3) Yes  No  Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age:

6. a. Yes  No  Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?

b. If yes, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes  No  *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.

*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.**

Junior Professional Staff, Energy and Commerce Committee Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, Majority. The topics covered in this trip are squarely within the Committee's jurisdiction and related to my portfolio. This trip will provide opportunities to gain more insight into the country's nuclear complex.

9. Yes  No  Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?

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.

Signature of Employing Member *Tom Loefer, Jr.* Date 9/22/22



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COMMITTEE ON ETHICS  
Washington, DC 20515

October 21, 2022

Mr. Austin Flack  
Committee on Energy & Commerce  
2125 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

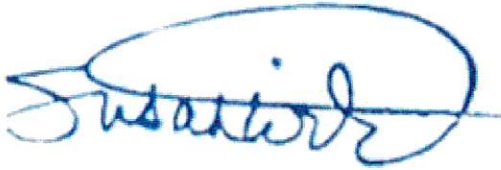
Dear Mr. Flack:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Knoxville, Tennessee, scheduled for October 25 to 26, 2022, sponsored by Foundation for Nuclear Studies.

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 \$415 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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Susan Wild". The signature is stylized with a large, rounded initial "S" and a horizontal line extending across the middle.

Susan Wild  
Acting Chairwoman

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael Guest". The signature is stylized with a large, rounded initial "M" and a horizontal line extending across the middle.

Michael Guest  
Acting Ranking Member

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