

Employee Post-Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

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Post-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete this form within **30 days** of returning from travel. Submit all forms to the **Office of Public Records in 232 Hart Building**.

In compliance with Rule 35.2(a) and (c), I make the following disclosures with respect to travel expenses that have been or will be reimbursed/paid for me. I also certify that I have attached:

- ☒ The **original** *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* (Form RE-1), **AND**
☒ A **copy** of the *Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form* with all attachments (itinerary, invitee list, etc.)

Private Sponsor(s) (list all): Foundation for Nuclear Studies

Travel date(s): October 25-26, 2022

Name of accompanying family member (if any): n/a

Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child

IF THE COST OF LODGING **DID NOT INCREASE** DUE TO THE ACCOMPANYING SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT CHILD, ONLY INCLUDE LODGING COSTS IN EMPLOYEE EXPENSES. (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

Expenses for Employee:

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
☐ Good Faith Estimate	\$549.12	\$89	\$103.06	
☒ Actual Amount				

Expenses for Accompanying Spouse or Dependent Child (if applicable):

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
☐ Good Faith Estimate		N/A		
☐ Actual Amount				

Provide a description of all meetings and events attended. *See Senate Rule 35.2(c)(6).* (Attach additional pages if necessary.): Tour of Oakridge National Laboratory to see supercomputers, isotope lab, Triso fuel lab. Tour of Ultra Safe to see next generation fuel production for nuclear. Tour of Watts Bar Nuclear Power Plant to see turbines, hot cells, cooling stacks and storage facilities.

1/3/23

(Date)

Jose Christopher Anila

(Printed name of traveler)

[Signature]

(Signature of traveler)

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER:

I have made a determination that the expenses set out above in connections with travel described in the *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* form, are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in Rule 35.

1/3/23

(Date)

[Signature]

(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)

EMPLOYEE PRE-TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

Date/Time Stamp:

Pre-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete and submit this form at least 30 days prior to the travel departure date to the **Select Committee on Ethics** in SH-220. Incomplete and late travel submissions will **not** be considered or approved. This form **must** be typed and is available as a fillable PDF on the Committee's website at ethics.senate.gov. Retain a copy of your entire pre-travel submission for your required post-travel disclosure.

Name of Traveler: Chris AvilaEmploying Office/Committee: Senator Christopher A. CoonsPrivate Sponsor(s) (list all): Foundation for Nuclear StudiesTravel date(s): October 25-26, 2022

Note: If you plan to extend the trip for any reason you **must** notify the Committee.

Destination(s): Knoxville, TN to tour the Oakridge National Laboratory and Watts Bar Nuclear Plant

Explain how this trip is specifically connected to the traveler's official or representational duties:

Relevant to Senator Coons' work on decarbonization policy and science appropriations, issues on which I serve him as a staff member.

Name of accompanying family member (if any): n/aRelationship to Employee: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child

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

9/22/22

(Date)

J. Chris
(Signature of Employee)

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING SENATOR/OFFICER (President of the Senate, Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms, Secretary for the Majority, Secretary for the Minority, and Chaplain):

I, Senator Christopher A. Coons hereby authorize Chris Avila
(Print Senator's/Officer's Name) (Print Traveler's Name)

an employee under my direct supervision, to accept payment or reimbursement for necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses for travel to the event described above. I have determined that this travel is in connection with his or her duties as a Senate employee or an officeholder, and will not create the appearance that he or she is using public office for private gain.

I have also determined that the attendance of the employee's spouse or child is appropriate to assist in the representation of the Senate. (signify "yes" by checking box) ☐

9/22/22

(Date)

Chris Coons
(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)

PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM

This form must be completed by any private entity offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to Senate Members, officers, or employees (Senate Rule 35, clause 2). Each sponsor of a fact-finding trip must sign the completed form. The trip sponsor(s) must provide a copy of the completed form to each invited Senate traveler, who will then forward it to the Ethics Committee with any other required materials. The trip sponsor(s) should **NOT** submit the form directly to the Ethics Committee. Please consult the accompanying instructions for more detailed definitions and other key information.

The Senate Member, officer, or employee **MUST** also provide a copy of this form, along with the appropriate travel authorization and reimbursement form, to the Office of Public Records (OPR), Room 232 of the Hart Building, within thirty (30) days after the travel is completed.

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1. Sponsor(s) of the trip (please list all sponsors): Foundation for Nuclear Studies
 2. Description of the trip: Trip to Oakridge National Laboratory in Knoxville, TN to tour the facility and learn about all the nuclear energy projects undertaken there.
 3. Dates of travel: October 25-26, 2022
 4. Place of travel: DCA to Knoxville, TN
 5. Name and title of Senate invitees: Chris Avila, Senator Coons
 6. I *certify* that the trip fits one of the following categories:
☒ (A) The sponsor(s) are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal **and** do not retain or employ registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal **and** no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *at any point* throughout the trip.
– OR –
☐ (B) The sponsor or sponsors are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, but retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and the trip meets the requirements of Senate Rule 35.2(a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) (*see question 9*).
 7. ☒ I *certify* that the trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.
– AND –
☒ I *certify* that the sponsor or sponsors will not accept funds or in-kind contributions earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.
 8. I *certify* that:
☒ The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except for *de minimis* lobbyist involvement.
– AND –
☒ The traveler will not be accompanied on the trip by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except as provided for by Committee regulations relating to lobbyist accompaniment (*see question 9*).

9. **USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 6(B)**

I *certify* that if the sponsor or sponsors retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, one of the following scenarios applies:

- ☐ (A) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and **one** overnight stay) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *on any segment* of the trip.

– OR –

- ☐ (B) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and **two** overnight stays) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *on any segment* of the trip (*see questions 6 and 10*).

– OR –

- ☐ (C) The trip is being sponsored only by an organization or organizations designated under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *at any point* throughout the trip.

10. **USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 9(B)**

If the trip includes two overnight stays, please explain why the second night is practically required for Senate invitees to participate in the travel:

11. ☒ An itinerary for the trip is attached to this form. I *certify* that the attached itinerary is a detailed (hour-by-hour), complete, and final itinerary for the trip.

12. Briefly describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip:

The Foundation for Nuclear Studies will book flights, reservations, transport, arrange the tour, secure the speakers and otherwise handle all logistical arrangements for the trip. FNS will also pay for the trip.

13. Briefly describe the stated mission of each sponsor and how the purpose of the trip relates to that mission:

FNS was founded in 2001 to educate and inform policymakers and their staff about nuclear science, energy, and technology. We conduct 2-3 trips/tours each year to educate congressional staff on how nuclear energy is made, used and stored.

14. Briefly describe each sponsor's prior history of sponsoring congressional trips:

FNS has sponsored trips to ORNL before. The last one was in 2019. FNS has also sponsored local tours to North Anna Power station in VA and Calvert Cliffs Power plant in MD. FNS occasionally sponsors trips abroad to international power plants and went to France in 2019.

15. Briefly describe the educational activities performed by each sponsor (other than sponsoring congressional trips):

FNS hosts congressional briefings on nuclear topics such as advanced reactors, fuel supply, waste and storage, etc. FNS also hosts 20-1 discussions with Members of Congress.

16. Total Expenses for Each Participant:

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses
☒ Good Faith estimate	\$408	\$87	\$110	
☐ Actual Amounts				

17. State whether a) the trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation or b) the trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *specifically with regard* to congressional participation:

b. The trip is arranged specifically with regard to congressional participation.

18. Reason for selecting the location of the event or trip

Knoxville, TN is home to the Oakridge National Lab, one of the premier test facilities in the country and the world that works on nuclear energy and science projects.

19. Name and location of hotel or other lodging facility:

Baymont by Wyndham, 209 Market PI Blvd, Knoxville, TN 37922

20. Reason(s) for selecting hotel or other lodging facility:

Affordable and convenient to the Lab and airport.

21. Describe how the daily expenses for lodging, meals, and other expenses provided to trip participants compares to the maximum per diem rates for official Federal Government travel:

The hotel and meals are in line with the government per diem.

22. Describe the type and class of transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first class transportation will be provided. If first-class fare is being provided, please explain why first-class travel is necessary:

Coach class tickets on American Airlines.

Bus service to and from the airport, dinner and lab.

23. ☒ I represent that the travel expenses that will be paid for or reimbursed to Senate invitees do not include expenditures for recreational activities, alcohol, or entertainment (other than entertainment provided to all attendees as an integral part of the event, as permissible under Senate Rule 35).

24. List any entertainment that will be provided to, paid for, or reimbursed to Senate invitees and explain why the entertainment is an integral part of the event:

There is no entertainment planned for this trip. There is a dinner that will feature the Chief Nuclear Officer from the Tennessee Valley Authority who will discuss new nuclear projects in the state.

25. I hereby *certify* that the information contained herein is true, complete and correct. (For trips involving more than one sponsor, you *must* include a completed signature page for each additional sponsor):

Signature of Travel Sponsor: //LeeAnn Petersen

Name and Title: LeeAnn Petersen

Name of Organization: Foundation for Nuclear Studies

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

Telephone Number: 202-744-6077

Fax Number:

E-mail Address: leeann@foundationfornuclearstudies.org

Avila, Chris (Coons)

From: LeeAnn Petersen <leeann@foundationfornuclearstudies.org>
Sent: Tuesday, September 20, 2022 9:51 AM
To: Avila, Chris (Coons); alexa.bishopric@mail.house.gov; Abbey.Engleman@mail.house.gov; Austin.Flack@mail.house.gov; John.Lee3@mail.house.gov; ben.kallen@mail.house.gov; LLARSON@crs.loc.gov; Ashley.Lund@mail.house.gov; Murphy, Matt (Cotton); chris.ploch@mail.house.gov; Orlebeke, Andrew
Cc: VAN VARICK, Lisa; Cohan, Melanie
Subject: Ethics Deadline Reminder - Oakridge National Lab tour
Attachments: 2021_Travel_Traveler Form_Interactive.pdf; Draft Agenda for 2022 FNS staff del to ORNL and Watts Bar updated 9-8.docx; ORNL brochure.pdf; 2021_Primary Trip Sponsor Form - FNS ORNL - updated 9-20.pdf; ORNL October Attendee List.xlsx

Dear Colleague,

Thank you for your interest in joining our staff del to ORNL. The deadline to submit an ethics request is September 23rd.

Attached are a few resources to help you prepare for our trip.

1. Draft itinerary and brochure to give you an idea of what you will see and learn on this tour. This will be updated soon.
2. Updated Primary Trip Sponsor Form, filled out by me but submitted by you to ethics with your traveler form. Questions 8 and 15 are both "b" but a glitch in the form unchecks one box when you check the other.
3. Traveler form, for you to fill out and submit to Ethics.
4. List of other attendees.

Please let me know when your ethics forms have been filed. We will be in touch with additional information including hotel and airline information.

Looking forward to it!

Kind regards,
LeeAnn

LeeAnn Petersen, MPA
Executive Director
Foundation for Nuclear Studies
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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 PI 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