

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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Congressional Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP) Caucus:
Task Force on National and Homeland Security

We strongly endorse and approve the Task Force on National and Homeland Security as it pertains to Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP) applications. This reestablished task force will operate under the leadership of Dr. Peter Pry, as Executive Director, who long served on the Congressional Commission to Assess the Threat to the United States from Electromagnetic Pulse Attack.

We, as co-chairs of the Congressional EMP Caucus, support policies and legislation that will protect against nuclear and non-nuclear EMP, solar activity, and geomagnetic disturbances (GMD) threatening the critical infrastructure of the United States which sustains the U.S. economy and the lives of the American people.

Today, no credible official body such as the Congressional EMP Commission exists to inform and support the Congress on issues of national and homeland security related to grid security.

Accordingly, a Task Force on National and Homeland Security may serve, to the extent possible, as a surrogate for the Congressional EMP Commission, by providing expert views and advice on any and all technical, operation, and policy matters of relevance to EMP. Protection of the critical infrastructure—including electric power, communications, transportation, energy, banking and finance, food and water—is a very broad challenge. Issues for the Task Force on National and Homeland Security include: EMP, proliferation, energy security, missile defense intelligence, and other issues of relevance to grid threats posed by EMP, GMD, and solar activity.

It is understood that, as there are no congressional funds available for the support of the Task Force on National and Homeland Security, the Task Force must be self-sustaining by means of private contributions of funding, labor, and other support.

Sincerely,



Doug Lamborn
Member of Congress



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