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Upton Announces Energy and Commerce Subcommittee Chairs and Vice Chairs

Rep. Joe Barton to serve as Chairman Emeritus in 112th Congress

WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Fred Upton (R-MI), incoming Chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, today announced the members who will serve atop the six Energy and Commerce subcommittees in the 112th Congress. Upton is splitting the current Energy and Environment Subcommittee jurisdiction into two separate subcommittees – Energy and Power, which will have jurisdiction over energy and Clean Air Act issues, and Environment and Economy, which will focus upon environmental regulations and their economic impact. Upton also announced that Rep. Joe Barton (R-TX) will serve as the Committee's Chairman Emeritus and Rep. Sue Myrick (R-NC) will serve as the Committee's Vice Chair. Full subcommittee rosters will be unveiled in the near future.

"We could not have a more talented, accomplished group of members, from top to bottom, with such diverse backgrounds necessary to deliver the change the American people expect and demand," said Upton. "I am also pleased that Joe Barton will continue his distinguished service on the Committee as Chairman Emeritus."

Upton continued, "Our challenges are many, and it will be all hands on deck for the Energy and Commerce Committee as we repeal Obamacare, cut spending, roll back job-killing regulations, unleash technological innovation, and fortify our nation's energy security. Every member and every subcommittee will be on the frontlines as we take on federal agencies - EPA, HHS, DOE, FCC, you name it - to identify wasteful programs and target areas to immediately cut spending."

Chairman Emeritus

Joe Barton (TX)

Vice Chair of Energy and Commerce

Sue Myrick (NC)

Subcommittee on Communications and Technology

Chair – Greg Walden (OR)

Vice Chair - Lee Terry (NE)

Subcommittee on Health

Chair - Joe Pitts (PA)

Vice Chair - Mike Burgess (TX)

Subcommittee on Energy and Power

Chair – Ed Whitfield (KY)

Vice Chair – John Sullivan (OK)

Subcommittee on Environment and Economy

Chair – John Shimkus (IL)

Vice Chair - Tim Murphy (PA)

Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing and Trade

Chair – Mary Bono Mack (CA)

Vice Chair - Marsha Blackburn (TN)

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations

Chair – Cliff Stearns (FL)

Upton also praised the selection of Energy and Commerce Committee member and Michigan colleague Mike Rogers as Chairman of the House Intelligence Committee, stating, "I look forward to my friend and colleague Mike Rogers having an informal leadership role on Energy and Commerce - he will continue to be a pivotal, energetic voice in shaping policy as well as communicating our message directly to the American people."

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