

\*Please note changes to Thursday's schedule.

**Senate Committee on Appropriations**  
**Hearing Schedule for the Week of April 7, 2008**

**For More Information, Media should contact (202) 224-3904.**

**Monday      April 7, 2008**

There are **no hearings** scheduled for Monday, April 7, 2008.

**Tuesday      April 8, 2008**

**10:00 a.m.      Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies (Chairman Kohl)**

**Location:      SD-192, Dirksen Senate Office Building**

**Agenda:      FY 2009 Appropriations for the Department of Agriculture**

**Witness:      The Honorable Ed Schafer, Secretary of Agriculture**

Accompanied by:

Mr. Chuck Conner, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture

Dr. Joseph Glauber, Chief Economist, Department of Agriculture

Mr. W. Scott Steele, Budget Officer, Department of Agriculture

**Wednesday      April 9, 2008**

**9:30 a.m.      Energy and Water Development (Chairman Dorgan)**

**Location:      SD-192, Dirksen Senate Office Building**

**Agenda:      FY 2009 Department of Energy Budget Request and Justification**

**Witnesses:      The Honorable James Rispoli  
Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management  
Department of Energy**

The Honorable Edward F. Sproat, III,  
Director of the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management  
Department of Energy

**9:30 a.m.      Defense (Chairman Inouye)**

**Location:      S-407, The Capitol**

**Agenda:      Cyber Warfare Programs (CLOSED SESSION)**

**Witnesses:** General Kevin Chilton, Commander STRATCOM  
Mr. Chris Inglis, Deputy Director National Security Agency

**10:00 a.m. State and Foreign Operations (Chairman Leahy)**

**Location:** SD-138, Dirksen Senate Office Building

**Agenda:** FY 2009 Department of State and Foreign Operations Budget Request

**Witness:** The Honorable Condoleeza Rice, Secretary of State

**\*Thursday April 10, 2008**

**9:30 a.m. Energy and Water Development (Chairman Dorgan)**

**Location:** SD-124, Dirksen Senate Office Building

**Agenda:** FY 2009 Department of the Army, Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation and the Department of Interior Budget Requests and Justifications

**Witnesses:** The Honorable John Paul Woodley, Jr  
Assistant Secretary of the Army  
Department of Army

LTG Hans Van Antwerp  
Chief of Engineers  
Army Corps of Engineers

Kameran Onley  
Assistant Deputy Secretary  
Department of Interior

Robert L. Johnson  
Commissioner  
Bureau of Reclamation

**10:00 a.m. Commerce, Justice, Science (Chairman Mikulski)**

**Location:** SD-192, Dirksen Senate Office Building

**Agenda:** FY 2009 Department of Justice Budget Request and Justification

**Witness:** The Honorable Michael Mukasey, United States Attorney General

**10:00 a.m.      Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies  
(Chairman Murray)**

**Location:        SD-138, Dirksen Senate Office Building**

**Agenda:          The Federal Housing Administration's Role in Addressing the Housing Crisis**

**Witnesses\*:**    The Honorable Brian D. Montgomery  
Assistant Secretary for Housing and  
Federal Housing Commissioner  
United States Department of Housing and Urban Development

Kenneth D. Wade  
Chief Executive Officer  
NeighborWorks America  
Washington, DC

David G. Kittle, CMB  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Principle Wholesale Lending, Inc., Louisville, KY and  
Chairman-Elect  
Mortgage Bankers Association

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**2:00 p.m.        \*POSTPONED\* Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education and  
Related Agencies (Chairman Harkin) \*POSTPONED\***

**Location:        SD-138, Dirksen Senate Office Building**

**Agenda:          Testimony on the Crandall Canyon Mine Accident**

**Witnesses\*:**    Panel I:

Elliot P. Lewis  
Assistant Inspector General for Audit  
Office of the Inspector General  
United States Department of Labor  
Washington, DC

Panel II\*\*:

Robert E. Murray\*\*  
Chairman, President & CEO  
Murray Energy Corporation  
Alledonia, Ohio

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\*\* MR. MURRAY'S TESTIMONY HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

**2:00 p.m. Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies**

**Location: SD-124**

**Agenda:** Fiscal Year 2009 Budget Request of the Department of Veterans Affairs

**Witnesses\*:** The Honorable James B. Peake, M.D.  
Secretary of Veterans Affairs  
Department of Veterans Affairs

The Honorable Michael J. Kussman, MD, MS, MACP  
Under Secretary for Health  
Veterans Health Administration

\* The Honorable Patrick W. Dunne  
Acting Under Secretary for Benefits  
Veterans Benefits Administration

The Honorable William F. Tuerk  
Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs  
National Cemetery Administration

The Honorable Paul J. Hutter  
General Counsel  
Department of Veterans Affairs

The Honorable Robert J. Henke  
Assistant Secretary for Management  
Department of Veterans Affairs

The Honorable Robert T. Howard  
Assistant Secretary for Information and Technology  
Department of Veterans Affairs

**2:30 p.m. \*\*POSTPONED Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education and Related Agencies (Chairman Harkin) \*\*POSTPONED**

**Location: SD-138, Dirksen Senate Office Building**

**Agenda:** Testimony on the Status of Efforts to Improve Mine Safety and Health

**Witnesses\*:** Panel I:

Honorable Richard E. Stickler  
Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health  
United States Department of Labor, Washington, DC

John Howard  
Director, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health  
U. S. Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, DC

Panel II:

J. Davitt McAteer, Esq.  
Vice President of Sponsored Programs  
Wheeling Jesuit University, Shepherdstown, West Virginia

Cecil Roberts, International President  
United Mine Workers of America, Fairfax, Virginia

Bruce Watzman  
Vice President, Safety and Health  
National Mining Association, Washington, DC

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**Friday      April 11, 2008**

There are **no hearings** scheduled for Friday, April 11, 2008.