

Center for Regulatory Effectiveness

Positioning the Incoming Administration for Revamping Oversight of the Regulatory State

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In January of 2015 CRE established an objective for developing a number of programs not later than January 2016 which would come as close as possible to compelling the incoming Administration to revamp the management of the federal regulatory state.

We missed our target by one month, but here are the results.

[OIRA Teaching Module](#)

OIRA is the cockpit of the regulatory state. In its thirty-five years of operation its staff has been reduced by 50% because it has no national constituency. To address this problem CRE developed an OIRA Teaching module for use by schools of law, economics, public policy, public administration and political science. The objective is to provide a foundation for negating prejudicial statements about OIRA.

[Regulatory Budget](#)

The size of the regulatory state continues to grow notwithstanding the presence of OIRA and the passage of a number of statutes which place procedural controls on regulators. A regulatory budget gets to the heart of the matter by placing a limitation on the total costs federal regulators can impose on regulated parties.

[Two Sets of Markers Critical to the Management of the Regulatory State](#)

Nearly fifty years ago America recognized that it was embarking upon an expansion of the regulatory state and measures had to be developed to control and manage the expansion. Unfortunately in recent times the United States is no

longer the leader in the development and management of these control measures. The Markers identified herein constitute the blueprint for America to regain this leadership position.

Next Step: Implementation

CRE is not waiting for the arrival of the next Administration. To the contrary we developed our work plan so that it can be vetted during the year preceding the arrival of a new Administration. Nor are we limiting our program promotion activities to the Administration. More specifically we not only distributed the material to a number of influential groups but we are assisting them in the development of plans for the said parties to promote the programs in the sectors of particular interest to them, including:

- Congressional Staff
- Federal Agencies
- Trade Associations
- Professional Associations
- Think Tanks
- Private Sector Firms
- Universities
- Media Organizations
- Members of the Current Administration