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#### Charter

**TO:** Members, Committee on Science, Space, and Technology **FROM:** Majority Staff, Committee on Science, Space, and Technology

**DATE:** June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**SUBJECT:** Space Subcommittee Hearing: "In-Space Propulsion: Strategic Choices and

Options"

On Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 2318 of the Rayburn House Office Building, the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Space, will hold a hearing titled, "In-Space Propulsion: Strategic Choices and Options."

## **Hearing Purpose**

NASA is pursuing several in-space propulsion technologies to advance not only human exploration, but also uncrewed spacecraft operations. The hearing will explore NASA's current portfolio of investments in in-space propulsion technologies, the state of the various technologies, and how they fit into future space architectures.

## **Witnesses**

- Mr. William Gerstenmaier, Associate Administrator, Human Exploration and Operations Directorate, NASA
- Mr. Stephen Jurczyk, Associate Administrator, Space Technology Mission Directorate, NASA
- Dr. Mitchell Walker, Chair, Electric Propulsion Technical Committee, AIAA
- Dr. Franklin Chang-Diaz, Founder and CEO, Ad Astra Rocket Company
- **Mr. Joe Cassady**, Executive Director for Space, Washington Operations, Aerojet Rocketdyne
- Dr. Anthony Pancotti, Director of Propulsion Research, MSNW

## **Staff Contact**

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