



THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR FEDERAL POLICY RESEARCH
invites you to attend a

***LUNCHEON BRIEFING REGARDING THE
ENERGY BIOSCIENCES INSTITUTE:
New Biofuels for America***

**Thursday, June 14, 2007 – 12:15 p.m.
Room B-340, Rayburn House Office Building**

You are invited to attend a luncheon briefing regarding a comprehensive research initiative to develop new, clean and sustainable biofuel alternatives for transportation. Our state has led the development in the biotech and electronics industries; and California universities and companies are again poised to lead development of new biofuels that may help reduce US dependence on imported fuels and emissions of greenhouse gases.

In February, BP announced that it was awarding \$500 million over a 10 year period to establish the Energy Biosciences Institute (EBI) to a team led by the University of California Berkeley in partnership with Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and the University of Illinois.

To learn more about the EBI, federal funding in the area, and “mission-oriented” basic science in advanced energy research, please join us on Thursday, June 14, from 12:15 to 1:45 pm in Room B-340 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

The lunch will feature remarks by representatives of both business and environmental groups. We expect that this event will be widely-attended. The California Institute is a 501(c)(3) charitable nonprofit organization that employs no lobbyists. To attend, reply with acceptances only, to 202-974-6384 or email ransdell@calinst.org.

Describing the EBI’s scientific focus and objectives will be Chris Somerville, who is slated to become EBI’s Director. He is currently a professor of Biological Sciences at Stanford and a visiting scientist at Lawrence Berkeley National Lab. Graham Fleming, the Deputy Director of the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory will discuss the unique role of a national laboratory in this type of “big science,” and will explain why “mission-oriented” science is critical to advancement in energy alternatives. And Dan Kammen, professor of Nuclear Engineering at UC Berkeley, will explain how the EBI will explore the broader energy science and policy opportunities and goals for the nation, and the environmental and economic impacts of biofuels research. Paul Willems, BP’s technology VP for Energy Biosciences, will discuss BP’s role in the EBI.

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