

Trump EPA: Polluters' All-Star Team

Pruitt's Dream Team is a Health Nightmare

The Trump administration is installing oil, gas, and chemical industry insiders in top EPA positions to oversee policies for the very industries that paid them.



Source: LinkedIn

Nancy Beck

Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention

- **Currently the top political appointee in EPA office overseeing chemical and pesticide safety**
- Served as a top official for a chemical lobbying group, working for chemical companies on issues now under her purview at EPA.
- Before that, stymied EPA chemical safety evaluations as a George W. Bush OMB employee. A House Science and Technology Committee report called her input “very disturbing... the whole point of the exercise was to delay.”
- The National Academy of Sciences called her efforts to change how toxicity assessments are done “fundamentally flawed.” Her new role gives her a platform to alter the course of those assessments.



Source: LinkedIn

Erik Baptist

Senior Deputy General Counsel

- **Key to Pruitt's efforts to roll back environmental protections in court.**
- Longtime attorney for the American Petroleum Institute - members include ExxonMobil, Halliburton, and Chevron.



Source: LinkedIn

John Konkus

Deputy Associate Administrator for Public Affairs

- **Although his job is to be an EPA spokesman, Konkus previews EPA scientific grants and awards for political correctness**
- Trump aide and Republican political operative with no environmental policy experience
- Calls climate change “the double C-word” and vetoes grants accordingly. Has cancelled more than \$2 million in grants.



Source: LinkedIn

Troy Lyons

Associate Administrator, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations

- **EPA's liaison to Congress, state & local governments**
- Lobbyist against EPA rules for oil companies including Hess and BP



Source: Wisconsin
Department of Natural
Resources

Cathy Stepp

Deputy Regional Administrator, Region 7

- **Helps oversee EPA operations in Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska**
- As Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources chief,
 - Changed agency from environmental regulator into a rubber stamp for polluting businesses.
 - Slashed pollution fines to 30-year low while dissolving science bureau and firing staff.
 - Discounted scientific evidence.
- Nonpartisan auditors concluded that Stepp's department failed to follow its own enforcement policies against water polluters more than 94 percent of the time between 2005 and 2015.
- Prevented officials from testifying before the state legislature on bills that would affect business.



Source: EPA

Trey Glenn

Region 4 Administrator

- **Oversees EPA operations in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee**
- Resigned as director of the Alabama Department of Environmental Management amid ethics investigation over pay-for-play politics; became industry lobbyist .
- The Alabama Ethics Commission unanimously found that Glenn violated ethics laws by accepting flights to Disney World and Hilton Head from a PR firm representing a contractor doing work for the Department
- As Alabama Office of Water Resources director, oversaw dramatic cuts to pollution enforcement