The United States-Japan Partnership for Recovery and a Stronger Future Energy Working Group Meeting

August 3, 2011 CSIS 4th Floor Conference Room

This working group examines the following three areas for greater cooperation between the public and private sectors of Japan and the United States as Japan recovers from the devastating earthquake and tsunami:

<u>Natural Gas Trade</u>—the extent of the natural gas resource base in North America, augmented by shale gas, provides the possibility of increased gas trade with Japan, whose energy plan/strategy is undergoing review and re-formulation.

<u>Energy Sector Resiliency</u>—the March 11 disasters illuminated the importance of energy sector resiliency and offer an opportunity to explore improvements in areas like interconnectivity, and distributed power.

<u>Nuclear Power</u>—based on available information from the still-unfolding situation at Fukushima, the workshop will underscore US lessons learned from the Three Mile Island, and consider how Japan may move forward in the areas of nuclear safety and security. The meeting will also facilitate identifying ways in which global institutions like IAEA, WANO and NEA may address the safety and security agenda post-Fukushima.

Through participant remarks and facilitated discussions, the working group meeting will further our understanding of the current status of key issues, identify core areas for cooperation, and initiate the development of recommendations to the U.S. and Japanese stakeholders.

9:00 AM Welcome and Introduction

David Pumphrey, Senior Fellow and Deputy Director, Energy and National Security Program, CSIS

Mike Green, Senior Adviser and Japan Chair, CSIS

9:10 AM Overview of Energy Sector since 311

Kiyo Aburaki, Visiting Fellow, Office of the Japan Chair, CSIS

9:30 AM Natural Gas Trade with North America

Focus questions:

- What role will natural gas likely play for Japan?
- Is natural gas a bridge fuel or destination fuel for the world?
- What are the key ingredients for successful natural gas trade between Japan and North America?

Lead-off comments: Jim Slutz, Global Energy Strategies

Drue Pierce, Crowell & Moring

10:30 AM Energy Sector Resiliency

Focus questions:

- What are the benefits and challenges associated with a smart community?

- What are the priority areas for the bilateral cooperation?

Lead-off comments: John D. McDonald, Technical Strategy & Policy Development,

GE Digital Energy

Tatsuya Shinkawa, New Energy and Industrial Technology

Development Organization of Japan (NEDO)

11:30 AM Nuclear Power

Focus questions:

- What are the areas/issues where the US can assist Japan to facilitate incorporating lessons learned from Fukushima?

- What role should/can Japan play in international safety and security regime?

- What are strategies for Japan/US nuclear business expansions overseas?

Lead-off comments: Mike Wallace, Senior Advisor, CSIS

12:30 PM Wrap Up

12:45 PM Adjourn

Note: The workshop is by invitation only and will operate on the Chatham House rule.