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**Committee on Reviewing the Progress Toward the Decadal Survey Vision in New Worlds,
New Horizons in Astronomy and Astrophysics**
(DRAFT VERSION)

October 8-10, 2015
2101 Constitution Avenue, NW – Washington, D.C.
Room 125

Thursday, October 8, 2015

OPEN SESSION

9:45 AM	NASA APD activities and plans pertaining to NWNH (including discussion)	Paul Hertz, NASA
12:00 PM	<i>Lunch</i>	
12:45 PM	NSF/AST activities and plans pertaining to NWNH (including discussion)	Jim Ulvestad, NSF
2:45 PM	NSF/PHY activities and plans pertaining to NWNH (including discussion)	*Denise Caldwell, NSF
3:30 PM	<i>Break</i>	
3:45 PM	DOE HEP activities and plans pertaining to NWNH (including discussion)	Kathy Turner, DOE
4:30 PM	OSTP perspective	Meredith Drosback, OSTP
5:15 PM	Public comments	All
5:30 PM	General discussion	All
5:45 PM	<i>Adjourn</i>	

Friday, October 9, 2015

OPEN SESSION

9:45 AM	Discussion with ESA	Fabio Favata, ESA (remotely)
10:15 AM	Discussion with JAXA	Kazuhisa Mitsuda, JAXA

10:45 AM	<i>Break</i>	
11:00 AM	Discussion with project teams (during lunch)	All
	60 min. WFIRST/AFTA	Neil Gehrels, NASA
	60 min. MSIP	Vern Pankonin, NSF
	30 min. U.S. LISA	Tuck Stebbins, NASA
	30 min. U.S. Athena	Rob Petre, NASA
12:00 PM	<i>Lunch</i>	
1:00 PM	Continued discussion with project teams	
5:00 PM	<i>Adjourn</i>	

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