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2017 Adopted Resolutions

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- Improving Energy Infrastructure Federal Permitting Efficiency
- Reforming the New Source Review Modification Program
- Modernizing and Enhancing Energy Infrastructure
- Protecting the Nation's Electric Power Grid from Cyber and Physical Security Threats
- Supporting Advancement of a National Repository for Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-level Radioactive Waste
- Encouraging Completion of a Fuel Fabrication Facility in South Carolina
- Encouraging Resource Conservation, Preservation and Recovery of Coal Combustion Products
- Enhancing Electric Grid Stability and Incentivizing Carbon Emissions Reduction Through Improved Efficiency Base Load Coal Units
- Concerning the Cost Allocation of Grid-Stability Transmission Projects
- Prioritizing Construction of the Appalachian Storage Hub
- Prioritizing State Mineral Property and Conservation Law Principles as They Apply to Federal Incentives that Advance Investment in Carbon Capture and Enhanced Oil Recovery
- Providing Support to the Southern States Energy Board Member Jurisdictions in the Aftermath of Hurricane Disasters



13.2017 | Providing Support to Southern States Energy Board Member Jurisdictions in the Aftermath of Hurricane Disasters

(Sponsored by Governor Asa Hutchinson, Arkansas)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Southern States Energy Board will offer support to the Governors of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands and the utilities to restore and rebuild their critical energy infrastructure and coordinate cooperative assistance with its Associate Members, the nation's energy sector, and the federal government to provide necessary technical support and resources.

Governor Asa Hutchinson, Arkansas
SSEB Chairman 2015-2017
57th Annual Meeting
September 26, 2017





FEMA

2017 Hurricane Season by the Numbers



TOTAL: 30 PRESIDENTIAL DECLARATIONS SINCE HURRICANE HARVEY MADE LANDFALL

- 14 Emergency Declarations
- 16 Major Disaster Declarations
- 25 Fire Management Assistance Grants

4.7+ Million >

Survivors Registered for Individual Assistance
In the continental U.S., USVI, PR

More Registrations than **RITA WILMA + KATRINA + SANDY COMBINED**

Post Irma & Maria Puerto Rico
Largest sustained air mission
Food & Water

+10x
call center staff increased from steady state

more than 4x
OF HOUSING INSPECTORS TO VALIDATE DAMAGES

NEARLY

8%

OF THE U.S. POPULATION **AFFECTED** THIS SEASON



\$2+ Billion

in disaster assistance
Paid to Survivors



133,000

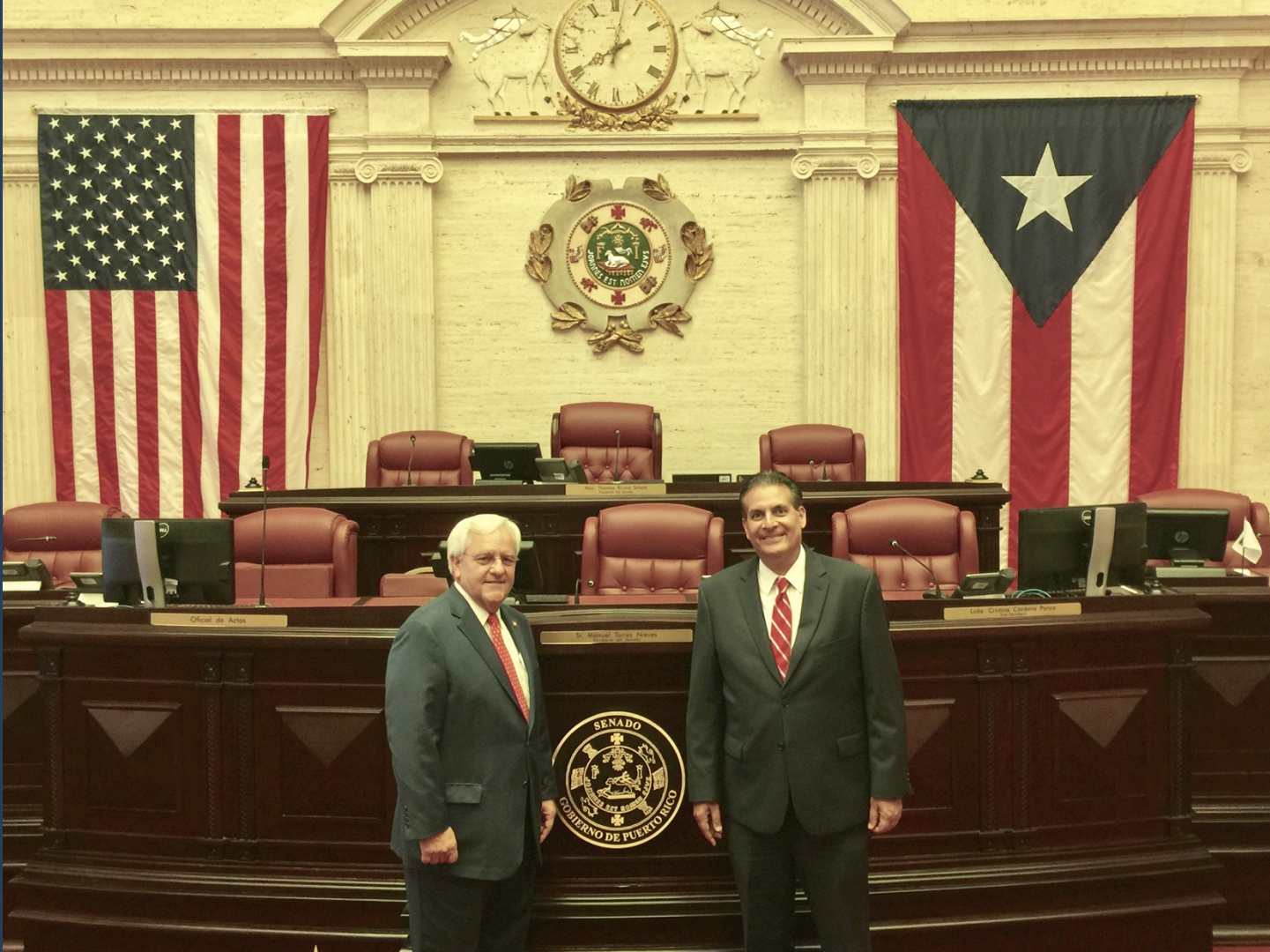
FLOOD INSURANCE CLAIMS

\$6.3+ Billion
Paid out to date





- Work with the Governor and Legislature of Puerto Rico (PR) to develop a policy and legal framework models;
- Build a stakeholder participation network to assure the active engagement of government, industry, academia, and the public;
- Create potential legislative options for a revitalized Puerto Rico electric energy grid system;
- Define the long-term goals and objectives of policies and regulatory framework models that support an affordable, reliable, resilient, and sustainable energy grid system in Puerto Rico; and
- Review the economic, financial, and insurance risks associated with the privatization of the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA).







Puerto Rico's new law moves to privatize power grid nine months after Hurricane Maria

“Our objective is simple: provide better service, one that’s more efficient and that allows us to jump into new energy models,” Gov. Ricardo Rosselló said.