

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

*Representatives Trent Franks, Doug Lamborn and Yvette Clarke,
EMP Caucus co-chairs, cordially invite you to an EMP Caucus event:*

**NEWT & THE NETWORK:
IMPROVING INFRASTRUCTURE SECURITY**

***Former Speaker Gingrich to lead talk on critical
energy & cyber infrastructure protection.***

Devastating storms like Sandy and Katrina gave us troubling evidence that our power grid is incredibly vulnerable, and yet it is one of our strongest and most important stabilizing economic and societal pillars. Both domestic and international cyber criminals prove this argument for us as well - they target energy resources and power infrastructure assets daily because they know the kind of chaos that ensues when the lights go out.

The best ways to protect and safeguard our critical network infrastructure will be discussed by a special guest at the next **EMP Caucus event**: **Former Speaker Newt Gingrich** will lead the discussion **June 18th at 1 p.m.** on the importance of securing our electric grids from both naturally-occurring geomagnetic disturbances and electromagnetic pulse weapons, and the legislation that offers solutions to these national security issues.

The SHIELD Act, a bi-partisan bill which will strengthen and provide critical defenses for our national energy grid. It is imperative that our country address the danger to disruption or destruction of our national infrastructure; The SHIELD Act is both an accountability solution, improving cooperation between our federal and commercial energy experts, and an immediate technological response, offering critical upgrades to our energy infrastructure.


It is critical that we protect our major transformers from cascading destruction. The SHIELD Act encourages industry to develop standards necessary to protect our electric infrastructure against both natural and man-made EMP events.

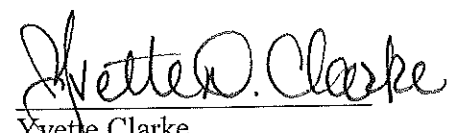
Please join the EMP Caucus as we welcome Newt Gingrich to speak on June 18th at 1 p.m. for an hour of enlightening discussion about this important topic. RSVPs may be sent to Elizabeth Kreft, elizabeth.kreft@mail.house.gov.

Where: Rayburn 2237
When: 1 p.m., June 18

Sincerely,


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