# Interagency Coordinating Committee on Oil Pollution Research (ICCOPR)

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## Title VII of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA 90) established 13-member Federal Committee:





























- 1) to prepare a comprehensive, coordinated Federal oil pollution Research & Development Plan;
- 2) to promote cooperation with industry, universities, research institutions, State governments, & other nations through information sharing, coordinated planning, & joint funding of projects.

Title VII outlined specific activities that the ICCOPR promotes:

- Innovative Oil Pollution Technology
- Oil Pollution Technology Evaluation
- Oil Pollution Effects Research
- Marine Simulation Research
- Regional Research Program

Activities are summarized in Congressional Biennial Report (latest one is 30 October 2011)







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#### Origin and Purpose

itle VII of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (Section 7001) established the thirteen-member Interagency Coordinating Committee on Oil Pollution Research, the Interagency Committee, to "coordinate a comprehensive program of oil pollution research, technology development, and demonstration among the federal agencies, in cooperation and coordination with industry, universities, research institutions, state governments, and other nations, as appropriate, and shall foster cost-effective research mechanisms, including the joint funding of the research." The Chairman of the Interagency Committee, represented by the Coast Guard, is required to submit a biennial report to Congress on activities carried out under Section 7001 in the preceding two fiscal years, and on activities proposed to be carried out under this section in the current two fiscal year period.

#### **Navigating ICCOPR**

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Environmental Protection Agency - Draft Oil Spill Research

The EPA's Oil Spill Research Program has been conducting research since it was authorized in the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA-90). The Deepwater Horizon spill highlighted the need for innovative spill response technologies and raised questions relative to the use of dispersants as well as acute and chronic health effects for spill response workers and the public. To respond to these research issues, the EPA has developed a draft research strategy for FY12 through FY15 and has requested that the



Dr. Al Venosa (EPA) briefs the ICCOPR membership on the EPA's draft oil spill research strategy during the ICCOPR's July 20, 2011 meeting hosted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.



SEAmagine's SEAmobile submersible on display at the 2011 International Oil Spill

