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EXPERTISE:

Technical and policy analysis and project management in energy development and conservation, transportation, and environmental protection.

EDUCATION:

M(Eng), Graduate School of Aerospace Engineering, Cornell University, 1966.
B.S., Civil Engineering, Columbia University School of Engineering and Applied Science, 1965.
Doctoral studies in applied physics/aerospace engineering, Cornell University, 1966-1967.
Graduate studies in urban and regional planning, George Washington University, 1970-1972

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL STRENGTHS:

- 35+ years of professional experience in technology assessment and policy analysis, with successful completion of a broad range of projects in the transportation, energy, and environmental area;
- wide-ranging interest in and knowledge of other scientific areas
- a solid engineering education (focus: mechanics, applied mathematics and physics);
- excellent public speaking skills and writing ability (including substantial experience in drafting and delivering testimony to Congress), as well as excellent communication skills in informal settings. Winner of Society of Automotive Engineers 1998 and 1999 awards for excellence in oral presentation;
- substantial professional recognition, including selection to be a lead author in the forthcoming International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) mitigation report, chapter on transportation.

AREAS OF SPECIAL EXPERTISE:

Transportation, including automobile fuel economy (including advanced technologies), alternative fuels, transportation energy savings; oil and gas resource issues; analyses of environmental and other effects of large-scale energy development; energy conservation.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

1995-present **Transportation Energy and Environmental Systems Analyst, Center for Transportation Research, Argonne National Laboratory.** Provide objective, innovative analysis of technical, economic, and institutional issues associated with energy and environmental technologies and policies, with a primary focus on transportation technology and policy. Provide technical services to the Department of Energy's Office of Planning, Budget and Analysis and to the overall Office of Energy Efficiency and

Renewable Energy. Participate in interlaboratory policy analyses on energy conservation and greenhouse gas reduction strategies.

Major accomplishments: Played a key management role in producing a report on global warming policy (*Policies and Measures for Reducing Energy Related Greenhouse Gas Emissions*) for DOE's Policy Office; co-authored (with David Greene of ORNL) the transportation chapters of the Interlaboratory Working Group reports on *Scenarios of U.S. Carbon Reductions: Potential Impacts of Energy Technologies by 2010 and Beyond*, and *Scenarios for a Clean Energy Future*. Co-authored (with David Greene and K.G. Duleep) report on *Examining the Potential for Voluntary Fuel Economy Standards in the United States and Canada*. Won two Society of Automotive Engineers Awards for Excellence in Oral Presentation. Successfully completed technology assessment of Hybrid Electric Vehicles. Author of chapter on international fuel economy initiatives for the Encyclopedia of Energy. Selected to be a lead author on forthcoming IPCC report on climate change mitigation (transport chapter).

1988-1995 **Senior Associate and Project Director, Energy, Transportation, and Infrastructure program, Office of Technology Assessment, U.S. Congress.** Designed and directed assessments of technological issues concerning transportation, energy supply, and new energy technologies, and provided guidance and technical review on energy and resource issues to the agency as a whole; supervised staff and contractors; acted as principal investigator/analyst and principal author of the final reports; provided testimony to Congress.

Sampling of completed projects: Advanced Automotive Technologies: Visions of a Superefficient Family Car; Saving Energy in U.S. Transportation; Retiring Old Cars: Programs to Save Gasoline and Reduce Emissions, Improving Automobile Fuel Economy: New Standards, New Approaches, Replacing Gasoline: Alternative Fuels for Light-Duty Vehicles, Oil Production in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge: The Technology and the Alaskan Oil Context.

1978-1988 **Senior Analyst and Project Director, Energy and Materials Program, OTA.** Managed the environmental impact/policy analysis portions of OTA energy assessments; directed assessments on oil and gas resource issues. Key assessments directed: US. Natural Gas Availability: Gas Supply Through the Year 2000; U.S. Oil Production: The Effect of Low Oil Prices. Environmental assessments: coal development (direct combustion and synthetic fuel production), biomass energy, cogeneration, automotive fuel conservation, and residential energy conservation.

1972-1978 **Senior Environmental Engineer, Office of Energy, Minerals, and Industry, Office of Research and Development, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.** Designed and supervised assessment of large-scale coal development in the Western United States; assessed proposed environmental/energy legislation; represented the Agency on interagency projects involving coal development (e.g., President's Task Force on Anthracite Coal Development, Interagency Task Force on the Socioeconomic Impacts of Coal Development); managed research on transportation energy conservation and the effect on energy demand of environmental regulations.

1968-1972 **Member, Technical Staff, TRW Systems Group, TRW, Inc.** Primary responsibilities: engineering analyst on a technology assessment of high speed ground transportation systems; principal investigator for a mass transit study of the Tampa Bay Region; task manager for a study of air quality strategies for urban areas. The latter task combined responsibility for carrying out research on air pollution control models for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and supporting state agencies in preparing Air Quality Implementation Plans.

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

1. Taught a seminar course on energy, environmental, and transportation issues for the Winter quarter of the Stanford in Washington program, 1996-2003 (Stanford in Washington brings Stanford University students to Washington, DC for a quarter of study and interning in Federal and non-profit agencies; the Winter quarter focuses on environmental issues).
2. Served as tutorial leader in energy, environment, and transportation for the Winter quarter of the Stanford in Washington program, 1993-1995, 2000.
3. Served as a member of the National Research Council's Committee on Undiscovered Oil and Gas Resources, and have participated in U.S. Department of Energy-sponsored national assessments of U.S. gas resources and oil resources
4. Member, Transportation Research Board Project Panel H-19 (managing project on *Guidebook to Estimate and Present Benefits and Disbenefits of Public Transit*).
5. Member, Transportation Research Board and Society of Automotive Engineers
6. Consultant to National Research Council Committee on the Effectiveness and Impact of Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) Standards
7. Consultant to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration on CAFE reform.

PUBLICATIONS: Steven E. Plotkin

REFEREED JOURNALS

Is Bigger Better? Moving Toward a Dispassionate View of SUVs, Steven Plotkin, in *Environment*, November 2004, Vol. 46 No. 9.

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Prospects for Improving the Fuel Economy of Light-Duty Vehicles, by Steven E. Plotkin and David Greene, *Energy Policy*, Vol 25 Nos. 14-15, December, 1997.

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From Surface Mine to Cropland, by Steven E. Plotkin, in *Environment*, Vol. 28, No. 1, Jan./Feb. 1986.

Incorporating the Risk of Control Failure into Environmental Assessments, by Steven E. Plotkin, in *Environmental Impact Assessment Review*, June 1983, Vol. 4, No.2.

Forecasting Trends in Auto Safety, by Steven E. Plotkin, in *Environment*, Oct. 1982, Vol. 24, No. 8.

Energy from Biomass: The Environmental Effects, by Steven E. Plotkin, in *Environment*, Nov. 1980, Vol. 22, No. 9.

Water and Energy in the Western Coal Lands, by Steven Plotkin, Harris Gold and Irvin White, *Water Resources Bulletin*, Vol. 15, No. 1, Feb. 1979.

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Plotkin, S., et al, *Hybrid Electric Vehicle Technology Assessment: Methodology, Analytical Issues, and Interim Results*, Argonne National Laboratory ANL/ESD/02-2, October 2001.

Assessment of PNGV Fuels Infrastructure: Infrastructure Concerns Relative to Alternative Fuel Safety, Steven E. Plotkin, Argonne National Laboratory, prepared for Office of Transportation Technology.

Reports for the U.S. Department of Energy

Scenarios for a Clean Energy Future, Interlaboratory Working Group on Energy-Efficient and Clean-Energy Technologies, prepared for the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (I was co-author of the Transportation Chapter, with David Greene of Oak Ridge National Laboratory), ORNL/CON-476, November, 2000.

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Technology Opportunities to Reduce U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions, prepared by National Laboratory Directors for the U.S. Department of Energy (I was a member of the Transportation Working Group, responsible for conventional technologies), November 13, 1997.

Policies and Measures for Reducing Energy Related Greenhouse Emissions: Lessons from Recent Literature, multiple authors (I was co project manager and co author), Office of Policy and International Affairs, U.S. Department of Energy, DOE/PO-0047, July 1996.

Office of Technology Assessment Reports (as project director and principal investigator or author)

Advanced Automotive Technologies: Visions of a Super-Efficient Family Car, OTA-ETI-638, Sept. 1995.

Saving Energy in U.S. Transportation, Office of Technology Assessment, OTA-ETI-589, July 1994.

Retiring Old Cars: Programs to Save Gasoline and Reduce Emissions, Office of Technology Assessment, OTA-E-536, July 1992.

Improving Automobile Fuel Economy: New Standards, New Approaches, Office of Technology Assessment, OTA-E-504, Oct. 1991.

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Tampa Bay Mass Transit: Planning for Tomorrow, TRW Systems Group, April 1970 (Available in Clearinghouse, published anonymously as per TRW policy at that time).

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Improving the Fuel Economy of the U.S. Automobile Fleet, presented to the Subcommittee on Energy and Power, Committee on Energy and Commerce, U.S. House of Representatives, Oct. 1, 1990.

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Methanol as a Transportation Fuel, (with R. Friedman) presented to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Oct. 17, 1989.

The Fuel Economy Potential of the U.S. Automobile Fleet, presented to the Subcommittee on Energy and Power, Committee on Energy and Commerce, U.S. House of Representatives, July 12, 1989.

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Untitled, on the Clean Air Act and its relationship to energy development, presented to the Subcommittee on Health and Environment, Committee on Energy and Commerce, U.S. House of Representatives, May 19, 1981.

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Increasing Automobile and Light Truck Fuel Economy, presented to the California Energy Commission, May 11, 1989.

Presentation to the California Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, Fossil 1 & 2 Public Hearing, July 28, 1979.