

**Agenda for November 30, 2001 BEA Advisory Committee Meeting (Revised 11/29/01)  
at BEA, 1441 L Street NW, Washington, DC 20230**

**9:00-9:30am**

Coffee and Donuts

**9:30-9:50am**

I. Welcome and Update

- A. William Nordhaus, Yale University and Chair of BEA Advisory Committee
- B. Samuel Bodman, Deputy Secretary of Commerce
- C. Steven Landefeld, Director, BEA

**9:50-12:00pm**

II. National Accounts Brainstorming

**9:50-10:25am**

A. Background and Priorities

1. Commerce's Goals: Kathleen Cooper, Under Secretary for Economic Affairs
2. Treasury's Goals: Richard Clarida, Assistant Secretary-Designate for Economic Policy
3. The Fed's Goals: Lawrence Slifman, Associate Director, Research and Statistics Division
4. View from CEA: Randall Kroszner, Member-Designate
5. Current Plans for Improving the National Accounts: Steve Landefeld, Director, BEA

**10:25-10:50am**

B. Ideas and Priorities

1. William Nordhaus, Yale University and Chair of BEA Advisory Committee
2. Robert Hall, Stanford University and NBER representative
3. Alan Auerbach, University of California, Berkeley and BEA Advisory Committee

**10:50-11:05am: Break**

II. National Accounts Brainstorming

**11:05-12:00am**

B. Ideas and Priorities (Continued)

4. Dale Jorgenson, Harvard University and BEA Advisory Committee
5. Robert Gordon, Northwestern University and BEA Advisory Committee
6. Marina Whitman, University of Michigan

C. General Discussion and Next Steps

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### **12:00-12:45pm**

Lunch (Sandwiches/light buffet at BEA)

### **12:45-1:40pm**

III. GDP Reliability

A. Dennis Fixler, Chief Statistician, BEA

B. Alan Auerbach, University of California, Berkeley and BEA Advisory Committee

### **1:40-2:30pm**

IV. Use of Hedonic Methods in the Official Statistics

A. Brent Moulton, Associate Director for National Income, Expenditure, and Wealth Accounts,  
BEA

B. William Nordhaus, Yale University and Chair of BEA Advisory Committee

### **2:30-2:45pm**

Break

### **2:45-3:15pm**

V. Strategic Plan and Other Topics- Steven Landefeld, Director, BEA

### **3:15-4:00pm**

VI. Future Agenda