Emerging Between the Industrial and Federal Sectors: Reflections and Recommendations

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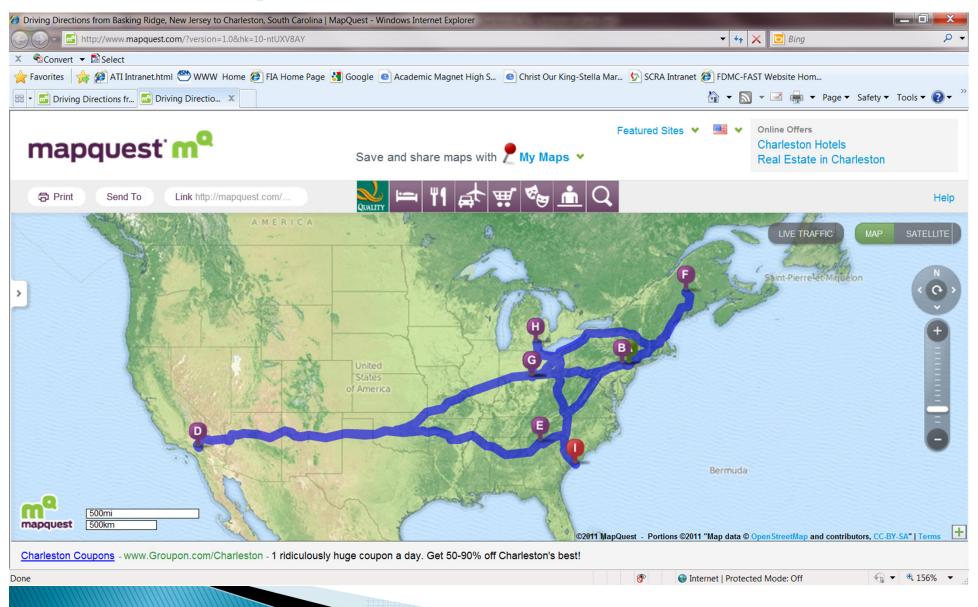
Objectives

- Reflect on emergence as a materials engineering professional in between the industrial and federal sectors
- Inspire emerging materials engineering professionals to participate these sectors
- Illustrate the need for materials engineers within industry, government and academia sectors
- Identify specific actions for emerging materials engineering professionals

Disclaimers

- The opinions expressed herein are based personal experiences, observations and reflections
- This not an endorsement of any political party, candidate or policy
- This is not a call for resumés or proposals

Careerquest?



How does one emerge in between the industrial and federal sectors?

- Start at A High School Board of Education
- ▶ Go to B College and Air Force ROTC
- Go to C Air Force Materials Laboratory
- Go to D Air Force Ballistic Missile Office
- Go to E Southern Terminus of the Appalachian Trail
- Go to F Northern Terminus of the Appalachian Trail*
- Go to G DOD Contractor
- Go to H- Industrial Manufacturer
- Go to I ATI Collaboration Leader
- Stop at ?
- Common features of these stops
 - Constant interaction with the federal sector
 - Professional and personal interests
 - ASM International networking
 - ASM International Federal Affairs Committee

Materials Engineers and Policy

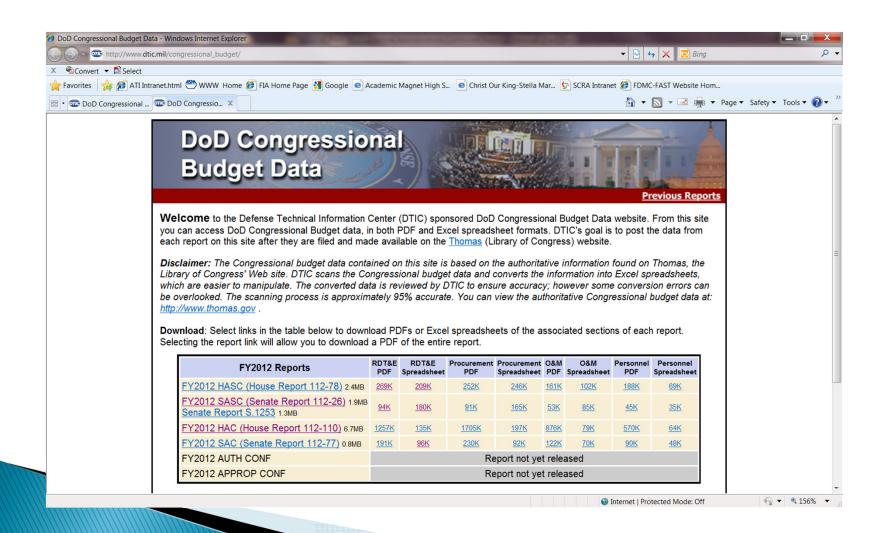
- Opportunities abound
- Legislative Branch
 - Making of policy
 - Creation of laws
- Executive Branch
 - Making of policy
 - Approving or vetoing laws
 - Program execution within the Agencies
 - DOD, DOE, DOC, etc
 - Regulation
 - EPA, NRC, etc
- Judicial Branch
 - Not touched upon during this presentation, but assume there is plenty of room for materials engineering

Where do Materials
Engineers participate
in this process?
Replace "Immigrant"
with favorite
materials related bill!



http://www.cyberlearningworld.com/lessons/civics/how_a_bill_becomes_law_powerpoint_worksheet.htm

"Because that's where the money is." - Willy Sutton



Interception Matrix

Materials	Legislation & Regulations	Solutions	Roles
Rare Earths	Series of proposed bills	DOE Alternatives TBD - New Programs	Research Manufacturing Policy
Body & Vehicle Armor	Defense Appropriations Bill	Competitive Contracts	Legislation Research Manufacturing
Aluminum, Steel, Magnesium, Composites	CAFÉ Standards	Reduced weight, reduced cost, improved designs	Policy Research Manufacturing

Engineering Data 2008

Federal, State, and local governments employed about 12 percent of engineers in 2008. About 6 percent were in the Federal Government, mainly in the U.S. – DOD, DOT, DOE, DOI, and Energy, and in the NASA. Many engineers in State and local government agencies worked in highway and public works departments.

http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos027.htm

Civil engineers	278,400
Mechanical engineers	238,700
Industrial engineers	214,800
Electrical engineers	157,800
Electronics engineers, except	143,700
computer	173,700
Computer hardware engineers	74,700
Aerospace engineers	71,600
Environmental engineers	54,300
Chemical engineers	31,700
Health and safety engineers,	
except mining safety engineers	25,700
and inspectors	
Materials engineers	24,400
Petroleum engineers	21,900
Nuclear engineers	16,900
Biomedical engineers	16,000
Marine engineers and naval	8,500
architects	0,300
Mining and geological	
engineers, including mining	7,100
safety engineers	
Agricultural engineers	2,700
Engineers, all other	183,200

Hang out on K Street

- Consider becoming a lobbyist!
- Special interest groups
- Lobbying firms
- All need expertise
- Do something old, thumb through the white pages of the DC phone book, if you can find one

Do something "new", browse the web for your

favorite material

	Total Lobbying Spending	Number of Lobbyists*
1998	\$1.44B	10,405
2009	\$3.49B	13,705
2010	\$3.51B	12,964
2011	\$1.67B	11,674



National Mining Association >>>

Starting from the ground up, materials - "minerals" - make a difference!

Join the fray

- Joint ASM/TMS Government Affairs Committee
- Congressional Visit Days to communicate with your leaders
 - Visit your Representatives and Senators on the Hill
 - Coordinate site visits by political leaders to your organization
- Visit Agencies to see what they do or be hired or be contracted
 - Department of Defense Office of the Secretary of Defense down to the military services
 - Department of Energy HQ and Laboratories
 - Department of Commerce NIST
 - Department of Transportation Laboratories
 - Others Nuclear Regulatory Agency, Environmental Protection Agency, National Aeronautics and Space Agency, Central Intelligence Agency, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Secret Service?
- Apply for Fellowships to broaden your career
 - White House Fellowship
 - Congressional Fellowship
- Become a Lobbyist to represent a segment of the marketplace on various issues
 - Run for Office

Recommendations

- Plan with the end in mind Point N
 - Where do you want to be? Point N
 - Which stops can or could you make from Point 0 to Point N?
 - When do you want to be there?
 - Who will be going with you? Solo or not solo?
- Draw your map from Point 0 to Point N
 - Write down a <u>firm</u> but <u>flexible</u> plan
 - Create SMART <u>objectives and goals</u>
 - Specific
 - Measurable
 - Attainable
 - Realistic
 - Timely
 - Integrate and <u>Implement</u> a Plan Do Check Act Cycle
 - Implement Daily but on a Weekly Basis while checking regularly Cut and paste <u>pictures</u> of you goals – mirror, office, notebook Consider a samport team

Did we attain the presentation objectives?

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Phase Transformation of 2,132 Miles





Spring Mountain, GA

Mount Katahdin, ME